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Dear Senator Beyer and Representative Nosse,

As a diverse group of physicians from all over the state of Oregon, we are writing to you today with significant concern regarding the health and wellbeing of our patients, families, and communities in light of the recent measles outbreak. As healthcare leaders, we recognize that the outbreak represents a symptom of a much larger problem: that Oregon now has one of the lowest rates of childhood vaccinations<sup>1</sup> in the country. The current rate of non-medical exemptions means Oregonians are no longer protected by herd immunity. This fact puts many of our most vulnerable community members at risk, and we are writing to urge you and the Legislature to take immediate action. **In particular, we urge you to follow in the steps of recent California legislation<sup>2</sup> and eliminate non-medical exemptions for childhood vaccinations.**

As you know, measles is a highly contagious viral infection with no effective treatment. However, the burden of measles infections, complications, and deaths has been significantly reduced worldwide in the setting of a safe and effective vaccine. It is estimated that the measles vaccine prevented 21.1 million deaths worldwide between 2000 and 2017<sup>3</sup>. Within the United States, measles decreased from hundreds of thousands of cases per year in the 1960s to 372 cases in 2018<sup>4</sup>. However, we are at real risk of seeing a surge not only in measles but in other vaccine-preventable diseases given the increasing trend of parents opting out of vaccination for personal beliefs, which are often based on false evidence. Were you aware that in 2015 a child in Linn County, Oregon died of measles-related encephalitis<sup>5</sup>?

As physicians, we are on the frontline of the consequences of under-vaccination, including the recent measles outbreak. Although the number of cases of measles in Clark and Multnomah counties is estimated to be less than 100 cases<sup>6</sup>, the impact of the outbreak is much more widespread, and we see it every day in our medical practices:

- Calls flooding into our clinics from parents, schools, and other institutions with concerns and questions about measles and how to protect themselves.
- Families in tears with fear for their infants or immunocompromised children who are too young or sick to be vaccinated
- Urgent requests for booster vaccines or appointments, specifically to discuss the current outbreak.
- Panic created by possible measles cases, symptoms of which can be similar to other viral infections.
- Financial hardship of quarantine: socially responsible caregivers of exposed children too young to be vaccinated can lose up to 21 days of productivity to prevent further dissemination of the disease.

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<sup>1</sup><https://www.oregon.gov/oha/PH/PreventionWellness/VaccinesImmunization/GettingImmunized/Pages/SchRateShare.aspx>

<sup>2</sup> [https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill\\_id=201520160SB277](https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520160SB277)

<sup>3</sup> <https://www.who.int/news-room/fact-sheets/detail/measles>

<sup>4</sup> <https://www.cdc.gov/measles/cases-outbreaks.html>

<sup>5</sup> <https://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/volumes/65/wr/mm6501a3.htm>

<sup>6</sup> <https://multco.us/measles2019>

As we deal with these impacts, our time and energy is necessarily taken away from caring for the many other needs of our patients and communities.

The current policy in Oregon allows parents to opt out of vaccinating their children after watching an educational video or after discussing the risks and benefits of vaccination with a healthcare provider. As physicians, we are always happy to discuss the risks and benefits of medical decisions with our patients; however, the current law means that the onus is often on us to individually convince parents of the safety of vaccinations for their children. It can be exhausting and disheartening to repeat the scientific evidence in visit after visit only to be ignored or berated. The evidence of vaccine safety is well-established and widely available<sup>7</sup>. By making it an individual discussion in the physician's office, the law fails to account for the very real public health consequences of low vaccination rates. These discussions also take away from valuable and limited time during visits in which to discuss other important topics of child health and development.

We are not only physicians. We are also parents, families, friends, and neighbors of those most at risk of catching measles: young infants, children with weakened immune systems, and others who are unable to receive vaccinations for medical reasons. We are worried for our own loved ones even as we try to calm the worries of our patients and their families. It is time to stop seeing vaccination as a personal choice and instead see it for what it is: an issue of public health, public safety, and child welfare.

For vaccine-preventable diseases such as measles, one infection is unnecessary, one complication is inexcusable, and one death is unforgivable. It is time for Oregon to limit or eliminate the non-medical exemption for vaccinations. We know from California's experience that this type of legislation works<sup>8</sup> to significantly improve vaccination rates, and we can no longer afford to wait any longer to make these changes.

We look forward to serving as your allies in this important effort, and many of us would be willing to testify before Congressional committees should that be of benefit. In addition to testifying, please let us know how else we can assist to strengthen immunization laws for all Oregonians.

From the frontlines,

The Oregon Pediatric Society

The Oregon Academy of Family Physicians

The Children's Health Alliance

The Oregon Physician Mom Group  
(representing over 1000 physician moms across the state)

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<sup>7</sup> <https://www.cdc.gov/vaccinesafety/research/index.html>

<sup>8</sup> <https://www.nytimes.com/2018/01/16/upshot/measles-vaccination-california-students.html?fbclid=IwAR3DvB1SsBbyVRL0PDnY-RpVJvreh7FvaKZuUfiIDrIXxH98KpNIUpXdPVg>

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405. Erika Beard-Irvine MD, pediatrics, Bend
406. Johanna Nesse FNP-BC, family practice
407. Suzanne Kavet, PNP Doernbecher OHSU Portland OR
408. Punam Hugo, DO Portland Emergency Medicine
409. Stephanie Sari, MD, Pediatrician in Gresham, OR
410. Robin Telerant, MD PORTLAND, OR
411. Ann Tseng, MD - Family Medicine Portland Oregon
412. Mandilin Hudson, DO Corvallis, OR Psychiatry
413. Eric Wiser MD, Portland
414. April Crofut, MD Portland
415. Robert Duffy, DO MPH - Portland
416. Heather Penny, MD Portland, Family Medicine
417. Robina Ingram-Rich, BSN, MS, MPH OHSU Portland
418. Sean Robinson, MD; Family Physician; Portland, OR
419. Tania Shaw MD, PORTLAND OR, emergency physician

420. Nicholas C. Welter, MD OHSU
421. Linda B Deppe, DO, Family Medicine, Milwaukie, Oregon
422. Michael P. Smith, DNP-FNP, Salem Health Urgent Care
423. Seema Kapadia Steel, D.O./Portland, OR/Family Medicine Hospitalist
424. Karen A Oyama, M.D., pathologist
425. Alison Ma MD
426. Stacy Valenzuela, MD, Emergency Medicine
427. Monina Pascua, MD, Tualatin, OR
428. Kathy Jorda, MD Portland OR
429. David Lawrence, PA-C. Emergency / Observation medicine physician assistant at OHSU.
430. Mary Miller, M.D. (Pediatrician at Gladstone Community Clinic)
431. Sylvana Bennett MD OB/GYN
432. Alexandra Butler, MD, Pediatric Hospitalist
433. Michelle Delplanche, MD; Vancouver, WA
434. Hilary Redden, MD Medford, OR Neonatology
435. Angie Reynolds MD, Portland OR
436. Elise Newman MD
437. Valerie Ing, DO, Hospitalist, Portland, OR
438. Regan Duffy, MD MPH Portland
439. Anne-Marie McCoy, MD Family Medicine, Lake Oswego, OR
440. Sandra Rood, MD, Pediatrician
441. Amber An, D.O., Vancouver WA/Portland OR
442. Kathy Shaw, MD. Family Medicine, Northwest Permanente
443. Terry Moy-Brown, DO, MPH, FACEP
444. Stephanie Coates, MD FCCP Portland OR. Pulmonary and Critical Care Medicine

445. Cezary Wójcik MD, PhD, FNLA - family medicine, OHSU Gabriel Park clinic
446. Tamara M Grigsby, MD
447. James S. Lewis, Pharm.D., FIDSA. Oregon Health & Science University
448. Justin Sales MD, MPH. Portland, OR
449. Thao M Nguyen, MD (pediatric emergency physician), mother of 3 kids under 3, Lake Oswego, OR
450. Amy Bednar, MD; Legacy Maternal Fetal Medicine
451. Danna Ogden, DO Portland
452. Diane K Rosonke, MD - Emergency Medicine
453. Peter Auerbach, MD; Pediatric Emergency Medicine; Randall Children's Hospital at Legacy Emanuel
454. Elizabeth Reding, DO - internal medicine
455. Erica Delgado MD Internal Medicine
456. Karen Maury, MD, MS Emergency Physician
457. James T. Suchy, MD; Portland, Oregon
458. Mustafa Alavi, MD - OHSU Family Medicine
459. Lydia Chiang, MD - pediatrician at OHSU/Doernbecher Hospital
460. Marissa Dorau PA-C, pediatrics
461. Mark J Merkens, MD, Professor of Pediatrics, OHSU
462. Samir Shehab, MD (pediatrician, Portland, OR and Vancouver, WA)
463. Kamala Randolph, MD, Tanasbourne Pediatrics
464. Arian Nachat, MD, Emergency Med, Hospice & Palliative Med
465. Kristin Lottig, MD Vancouver, Wa (Pediatrics)
466. Kelli C. Lund, MD, Neonatology
467. Shannon M. Theis, Ph.D., Assistant Professor of Pediatrics, Oregon Health & Science University
468. Sheila Jhansale MD Internal Medicine Eugene, OR
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- 470. John Carter MD, PhD, Pediatric Oncology, OHSU, Portland OR
- 471. Mark Buchholz MD, Portland
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- 473. Jamie Rubin, MD in Portland, OR
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- 477. Serena Kelly MS OHSU
- 478. Annette M. Lopez, MD
- 479. Jordan Laub, MD, MS, MPH (attending emergency physician Legacy Mt Hood MC)
- 480. Ella Clark-Nicholson, MPAS, PA-C, OHSU Family Medicine at Gabriel Park
- 481. Brisa Jessup, RN, PNP student
- 482. Mary Lee Baker MD, Pediatrics, Broadway Medical Clinic , Portland OR
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- 484. Alex Kipp MD
- 485. Stewart Decker, MD, Klamath Falls, Family Medicine
- 486. Susan Lindemulder, MD, MCR Portland, OR, Pediatric Hematology/Oncology
- 487. Ellen Stevenson, MD, MPH, Portland, OR
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- 489. Kellie Nazemi MD (OHSU)
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493. Ryan Hassan MD MPH, Pediatrician, Happy Valley
494. Luke Strnad, MD, Assistant Professor of Medicine, Division of Infectious Diseases, OHSU
495. Erin Bonura, MD, MCR Portland, OR (Infectious Disease)
496. Claire Unruh, DO, Family Medicine resident
497. Amber Diaz, PharmD, Blood and Marrow Transplant Pharmacist at OHSU
498. Regan M. Duffy, MD MPH, Portland (medical oncology)
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Copy of March 7th Letter emailed to all Oregon House Representatives and to the Ways and Means Committee.

Dear Representative,

I am writing today to express my opinions and firmly held philosophical objections regarding HB-3063. This bill would remove all but the most restrictive medical exemptions to routine vaccination requirements in order for children to be admitted into school or daycare in our state.

I am a public high school teacher in Linn County. I am currently 8 months pregnant with my first child. I will not be giving birth in a hospital in order to protect my newborn from routine medical procedures that are not reflective of the latest scientific and evidence-based research on birth and human development. Medical freedom and freedom of choice are of the utmost importance to me. I truly believe that it is every citizen's duty to educate themselves and make sound choices about their health. This includes choosing to opt-out of conventional medical practices that are not without risks, or side-effects. As a citizen of the United States of America, I have the right to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness. Medical freedom is crucial to maintaining those essential and unalienable rights.

In California, the discovery of measles at Disneyland in 2015, created panic and fear surrounding the spread of vaccine-preventable illnesses. Even though no child died from measles during that episode, and no schools were at risk of an epidemic, the state passed a reactionary law that attempted soothe the public's fear and the calm the media's sensationalism.

The media coverage created a polarizing controversy over the "outbreak." Mainstream media, public figures, health officials and celebrities immediately began to identify an enemy that could be blamed for "outbreaks" of vaccine-preventable illnesses. The culprit underlying the spread of wild forms of vaccine-preventable illnesses is truly globalism and international travel. This is not alarming or unpredictable in our modern world. History teaches us that fear and panic in society often provoke reactionary behaviors; the angry and helpless public points to a minority group that they can scapegoat and vilify.

A shapeless and powerless minority in every state, "anti-vaxxers" are at the fringes of society and are an easy target for media. Sadly, due to all the hype and panic, anyone that critically questions the safety or efficacy of vaccines is often labeled an "anti-vaxxer" and immediately dismissed as an anti-science nutcase. In addition, anyone that argues in favor of medical freedom and informed consent is also labeled as an "anti-vaxxer" and accused of supporting reckless disease-spreading behaviors that endangers public health. In this way, polarizing the debate between "The Greater Good" and "Anti-vaxxers" has created only hostile and reactive discourse.

We see evidence of this combative discourse in Washington and reactionary attitudes are

brewing here in Oregon. My plea is that our elected officials see past the media blitz and pharmaceutical lobbying efforts that underwrite this kind of legislation. In the coming months, you will no doubt hear how vaccine-preventable illnesses are extremely dangerous to the public welfare. You will no doubt hear that vaccines are safe and effective and that injuries are extremely rare. You will hear from members of the press and pharmaceutical industry that your solemn duty is to protect the public. I would like to provide a more balanced and less reactionary approach to these topics than what is currently widely available in media.

I am not anti-vaccines. I don't know anyone that is actually anti-vaccines, except for crack-pots like Alex Jones, or other conspiracy theorists. I do know many people that see the value of vaccines, but are hesitant to comply with the current CDC vaccine schedule. There are, in fact, regular folks with real American values that occupy the middle-ground on vaccination issues. These ordinary people are very hesitant to speak out publicly because of the dominant narrative that surrounds this issue. I am part of this unaffiliated group of people that ask critical questions of the status quo and use reason and logic to make informed medical choices.

As you well know, children are guaranteed the right to a free public education. Parents can be jailed or fined if they do not allow their child access to a quality education. States that have do not offer religious and philosophical exemptions tread woefully on a child's right to a free public education, and use the federal education mandate as leverage to force hesitant parents to comply with the childhood vaccination program.

In effect, eliminating religious and philosophical exemptions creates a situation where there is only one way to refuse or delay mandatory vaccinations for any healthy child. This singular option requires a parent to give up their job, benefits, social standing and all other economic and social rewards of a career, so that they can home school their child. A parent must make all these sacrifices in order to be in compliance with the law if they choose to delay or refuse required vaccinations for their child.

Single parent households are uniquely unable to make these sacrifices. Due to the pressure of providing basic necessities while being a single breadwinner, they will be unlikely to provide home school for their child. Single parents often have no choice but to send their children to public school and day-care, and therefore no choice except to comply with immunization mandates. There is no freedom of choice for the single parent.

Two parent households working minimum wage jobs are in a similar predicament. There will not be enough money to provide for the family if one parent stays home to home school the child. Since all wages are used to pay for basic necessities, and most low-wage earners work two jobs to make ends meet, it is obvious that a family living near poverty level can not afford to exercise their right to refuse mandatory vaccination. There is no freedom of choice for low-wage earners living at or near the poverty level.

When there is no freedom of choice, there is no informed consent. Removing religious and philosophical exemptions violates Oregonian's freedoms and civil rights. In cases where parents are unable to provide an alternative to public school but would like to exercise their freedom of choice, mandatory immunization is an act of coercion.

It is understandable that there may come a time in America's future where mandatory vaccine

administration to all Americans would protect the general public and ensure our freedoms and civil rights. Now is not that time. There is no emergency or epidemic happening at the moment that warrants passing immediate legislation directed at public schools and daycare operations. It is an undeniable fact that there are no epidemics or outbreaks of vaccine preventable illnesses at our public schools in Oregon. There has not been one school closure from the recent measles “outbreak” and it is highly unlikely that there ever will be. Our herd-immunity is very strong, and our current medical freedom has not jeopardized our public health.

The public health and herd-immunity depends largely on socioeconomic factors, nutrition, education and proper sanitation. Vaccines are a small part of public health. We need more funding and education for true public health initiatives, not a rush to remove vaccine exemptions from public schools. Enacting HB-3063 will not improve health outcomes within the state of Oregon.

Every person has a unique biochemistry, and a one-size-fits-all approach to prophylactic medicine is out-dated. There are many well educated doctors, health officials, researchers, and scientists that are critical of the CDC’s recommended vaccine schedule. They are not anti-vaccine, but rather careful consumers, and purveyors of novel medical products. Doctors and scientists that question the safety of the CDC’s immunization schedule are critical because there are no safety studies on these products that meet the gold standard of the scientific method; Double-blind and placebo-controlled studies funded by third parties without conflicts of interests.

Vaccines have their place in the world. They can be helpful and necessary for reducing actual outbreaks of infectious diseases, particularly in areas with poor sanitation and extreme poverty. However, vaccines are an "unavoidably unsafe" product according to the FDA. Vaccines charge an excise tax of \$.75 per dose administered to compensate victims of vaccine injury. Since 1988, the National Vaccine Injury Compensation Program has paid out over \$4 Billion to victims of vaccine injury. There is no screening available to determine if you or your child are at risk of having a devastating reaction to a vaccine.

The ultimate price to pay in this vaccine-injury lottery, is death. The side-effects are listed on every vaccine insert, and most vaccines required to send children to public school and daycare include a small, but very real risk of death. Many of the vaccines required are given to children under one year of age. At this delicate time, most children have not been screened for immune-deficiency, underlying genetic disorders or developmental delays that would put them at risk for vaccine-injury. It is not ethical to remove the philosophical exemption from our laws, particularly when a parent may have perfectly rational concerns about the risks of vaccination.

As any loving parent will tell you, their biggest fear is that harm will come to their child. Currently, parents have the right to protect their children from perceived risk of harm and refuse recommended vaccinations. Some parents are not comfortable gambling with their children’s well-being. In many ways, parents choose to vaccinate for the exact same reason; fear of harm from vaccine-preventable illnesses. This is a choice each person should be able to make for themselves, with knowledgeable guidance and a thorough risk-benefit review with doctors and pediatricians.

Our elected officials in the Oregon House of Representatives and in the Oregon State Senate

are not medical professionals. They are not experts on the CDC's recommended vaccine schedule. They are not scientists or researchers that spend hours each day analyzing recent data on vaccinations, and vaccine products. There may be an opportunity for elected officials to interview such experts, and ask questions about these topics.

When that time comes, please ask critical questions that can educate an inflamed and fearful public. Ask: How can doctors still provide informed consent if religious and philosophical exemptions are removed. Ask: Why are some scientists, doctors and researchers advising parents to delay vaccinations. Ask: Where are the double-blind placebo controlled studies on vaccines for pregnant women, fetuses and infants as per the most recent CDC recommendations. Ask: What are the potentially harmful ingredients in vaccines? Ask: How many cases of illness actually constitute a public health emergency, and why is that the policy? These are all fair questions to raise during a public hearing. These questions deserve evidence-based answers from experts in the medical field that are both proponents and critics. There is no shame in questioning our public policies or accepted medical practices. Oregonians have the right to be informed.

HB-3063 has the potential to effect me and my family on a very personal level. I have listed my philosophical concerns in the above paragraphs, but I would like you to know how this issue will directly effect me as a tax payer, voter, teacher and soon-to-be parent.

My husband was diagnosed with Ulcerative Colitis at the age of 14. UC is considered an auto-immune disease and is not a curable condition. It can be treated with drugs or surgery, however it is a chronic disease. He has been in remission for years, thanks to careful management of his diet and nutrition. If he were to become injured, or undergo episodes of severe emotional and physical stress, his symptoms would return. I watched that exact scenario happen in a matter of days after we were involved in a car accident.

My husband's uncle has suffered with the same disease for decades and had to have a portion of his colon removed. My father in law suffers from dairy and wheat allergies and irritable bowel syndrome. For many people that live with these chronic conditions, colon cancer is a real concern and eventuality.

If my baby were born today, I could get a medical exemption based on my husband's family history. There wouldn't be a problem asking any pediatrician to review my husband's medical records and request that vaccinations be delayed, or not given at all. Since our child will have my husband's genetics, it is possible that this child will be more susceptible to auto-immune diseases, gastrointestinal issues and allergies.

According to the latest research and analysis by revered immunologist Yehuda Shoenfeld, of Sackler Faculty of Medicine at Tel-Aviv University, children that may have auto-immune diseases, or whose families have a history of auto-immune diseases, should only be immunized with extreme caution. Dr. Shoenfeld is the editor of two very respected peer-reviewed scientific journals of immunology. He is an expert in his field. As a soon to be mother, I can not ignore his concerns, or the concerns of Oregon's own Dr. Paul Thomas of Integrative Pediatrics in Portland, Oregon. He is a board certified pediatrician in fully supports the careful and appropriate use of vaccinations for children.

Our child will be born in late April 2019. When I lived in California, I saw how quickly laws

to remove exemptions are passed. If HB-3063 passes before my child is born, my chances of getting a medical exemption for our child will dissolve rapidly.

Ever since California passed their version of this bill, pediatricians have been under extreme scrutiny when they authorize a medical exemption. Many pediatricians are fearful that they will lose their license if the state decides they were too liberal in their decision to provide an exemption for a patient. This has made it very difficult for healthy children with a family history of genetic and auto-immune disease to qualify for exemptions. The child may be healthy and appear normal in every way, however there is no way of knowing if, or when, they will be injured by a vaccine. The best course of action would be to delay vaccinations until the child has a more developed immune system. This is the position of Dr. Paul Thomas, and other well researched pediatricians that care deeply for their practice and their patients. HB-3063 will undermine the efforts of Oregon's pediatricians that provide medically and ethically sound advice on vaccinations.

I, like many other parents that are fortunate enough to have a steady income and a supportive partner, will probably choose to home school if HB-3063 passes. I will not be coerced by the state to vaccinate a child with unknown risk factors for vaccine-injury. My family will live frugally, and will provide fewer economic benefits to the state due to our reduction in income. My child will get a wonderful education, and plenty of opportunities to make friends and socialize within the home school community. More likely than not, we will be unable to afford to buy a home of our own, since my income alone will not be enough to save for a mortgage. It will barely be enough to cover the costs of using the high deductible insurance plan offered through my employer. Eventually, we may decide to leave the state in order to improve our incomes, own property and enjoy our constitutionally protected rights to medical freedom. The state of Oregon will suffer the loss of a compassionate and caring family that aims to make a positive impact on the future through everyday actions and behaviors.

Thank you very much for taking the time to read my comments regarding HB-3063. I realize this is not simply a statement of approval or disapproval. I am very grateful that you have taken the time to hear my concerns. I am hopeful that these words will help you make a sound and fair decision on HB-3063. Please protect Oregon's right to medical freedom.

Sincerely,

A. Almanza  
-Linn County

**From:** [Abby Sears](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** I oppose HB 3063  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 23, 2019 2:18:57 PM

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Please accept this email as my testimony against HB 3063 currently being heard by the Oregon State Legislature. I believe there is a risk with vaccines and it is our right to decide what to put into our own bodies. Also, there is the financial impact on schools/daycare/preschool and those who run the business, should a great number of kids be excluded.

Please let it be noted that I strongly oppose passage of this HB 3063! Where there is risk, there must be choice.

Abby Miller

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Sent from my iPhone

**From:** [Adam Kristin Ayers](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** HB 3063  
**Date:** Wednesday, April 24, 2019 6:27:27 AM

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Please vote No on HB 3063

I believe in vaccinations but I also believe in parental rights.

Thank you

Kristin Ayers

**From:** [Adam](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** Testimony HB 3063  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 23, 2019 8:26:11 PM

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Thank you Chair and Committee for accepting my written testimony, as I can not be present at the hearing on such short notice.

My name is Adam Grabel and I live in Beaverton.

I am strongly opposed to HB 3063, the -13 amendment, and the newly "recommended" amendments. My healthy, smart, well-behaved daughters would be prohibited from school if this measure passes, simply because they have not received every single vaccine. These are the kinds of kids you WANT in your schools: they work hard and follow directions. We volunteer, fundraise, and support our schools by voting "yes" on local levies. Our family worked with their doctor directly to determine the best vaccine schedule for them, based on their own health needs and our family history of autoimmune disorders. We are diligent about the health of our children, making sure they receive regular medical care, nutritious food, beneficial supplements, lots of rest, and vigorous exercise. We keep them home if they are even slightly sick. We do not take their health lightly and spend considerable time and energy weighing the options and making the best decisions possible. It is unethical to ask my children to take a risk to protect another child they may never meet from a disease they may never get.

While this bill has a HUGE effect on families who are selective about vaccines for any number of reasons, it has a negligible -if any- effect on preventing the spread of disease. It simply doesn't make sense to enact legislation with such an enormous negative impact when the positive impact is next to nothing. Our vaccination rate is very high already and our current exclusion policy that is used during outbreaks WORKS. We do not have a significant problem of diseases being spread at school. This legislation is trying to fix a problem that does not exist.

There are many, many reasons why a family may avoid some or all vaccines. Some include: lack of long-term testing, lack of placebo-controlled testing, dose not weight dependent, family history of impairment of detox pathways, lack of trust in newer vaccines, family history of autoimmune disease, family history of vaccine reaction, conflicts of interest at ACIP, testimony of CDC whistleblower Dr. William Thompson as well as others in the CDC that have testified via [SPIDER](#) in 2016, lack of testing regarding carcinogenic potential, not Vegan, made using aborted fetal cells, concerns of injecting foreign DNA, no manufacturer liability, desire to reduce aluminum exposure, concerns of unintended consequences, distrust in pharmaceutical companies due to frequent fraud cases (ie. Vioxx), etc. Most families who use exemptions have weighed their decisions very carefully and will not just run out and vaccinate their children. Excluding them from schools seems more punitive and coercive than an attempt to improve vaccination rates. If you want to improve vaccination rates, you'd be much more successful by convincing the CDC to address the above-listed concerns.

Sincerely,  
Adam Grabel  
Beaverton, OR

April 22, 2019

Dear Oregon Legislators,

As the chair of the Health and Public Policy Committee of the Oregon chapter of the American College of Physicians, representing nearly 1,700 internal medicine physician specialists and medical students in our state, I am writing on behalf of our chapter to urge your support for HB 3063 on non-medical exemptions from state immunization laws. Our chapter is part of the American College of Physicians, which nationally represents 154,000 internal medicine physician specialists and medical student members. The ACP has official policy (attached to this email) that supports the elimination of non-medical vaccine exemption.

Our chapter, in particular, is very concerned about the recent surge in vaccine preventable diseases such as measles. In 2018, there were 372 confirmed cases of measles; and already, this year, there have been close to 230 individuals confirmed with measles in 12 states. Indeed, Oregon and Southwest Washington have seen one of the largest recent outbreaks of measles in our country.

Vaccines protect the health of children and adults and save lives. They are one of the most important public health accomplishments of the last century. They prevent life-threatening diseases and some forms of cancer.

We should be crystal clear: Claims that vaccines are unsafe or cause autism have been disproven by a robust body of medical literature including a recent Danish [study](#), published in the Annals of Internal Medicine, that shows that “MMR vaccination does not increase the risk for autism, does not trigger autism in susceptible children, and is not associated with clustering of autism cases after vaccination.”

[Data](#) show that just for children born in the United States in 2009, routine childhood immunizations will prevent approximately 42,000 early deaths and 20 million cases of disease with savings of more than \$82 billion in societal costs.

We recognize that many of those who oppose this bill have a genuine and sincerely-held belief that vaccines are either ineffective, dangerous, or both. We in the medical profession will continue to do our part to understand and empathize with people who may be skeptical of vaccines while also providing information and advice that is based on the best available evidence and the consensus of every major professional society in the United States.

We urge you to support House Bill 3063. We are counting on your support to take the necessary action to protect the health and welfare of patients in our state. Please don't hesitate to contact me if I can provide more information on the position of the ACP and its Oregon Chapter on this crucial issue.

Yours truly,

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## Policy Approved by Board of Regents July, 2015

### Elimination of Non-Medical Exemptions from State Immunization Laws

#### Positions:

- 1. The American College of Physicians supports the immunization of all children, adolescents, and adults, according to the recommendations and standards established by the U.S. Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP), National Vaccine Advisory Committee (NVAC), and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).**
- 2. The College supports state laws designed to promote all recommended immunizations. .**
- 3. The College calls on states to pass legislation to eliminate any existing exemptions, except for medical reasons, from their immunization laws.**

Allowing exemptions based on non-medical reasons poses a risk both to the unvaccinated person and to public health, as intentionally unvaccinated individuals can pose a danger to the public, especially to individuals who cannot be vaccinated for medical reasons. Physicians should help educate patients and parents about the risks of vaccine preventable diseases and the safety and effectiveness of vaccines. Outbreaks of vaccine-preventable diseases have been linked to communities of unvaccinated and undervaccinated individuals.<sup>i</sup> <sup>ii</sup> Studies indicate that the easier it is to receive an exemption, the higher the rate of exemptions in a particular state.<sup>iii</sup> <sup>iv</sup> As the number of exemptions increases, the risk of vaccine-preventable disease has been found to increase.<sup>vi</sup> Exemptions from evidence-based immunization requirements should be limited to medical indications in order to protect the public's health.

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**From:** [Angie Navarrete](#)  
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My name is Agnieszka Navarrete and I am asking you to oppose HB 3036.

This bill coerces parents who are unable to homeschool to choose between their religious/spiritual beliefs or getting their children injected with products they are opposed due to religious/spiritual beliefs. Many parents are unable to quit their jobs to homeschool. Who is going to pay for their rent? Who is going to pay their bills? Who is going to feed them?

**From:** [Ajana Miki](#)  
**Subject:** Vote in Opposition to HB 3063  
**Date:** Monday, April 22, 2019 6:21:10 PM

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To whom it may concern,

I am writing to oppose HB 3063.

I am in favor of vaccinations. I am grateful for vaccinations and the diseases that they have controlled and/or eradicated.

I am a naturopathic physician in practice for 19 years. I do not work with a pediatric population and so am not as directly affected by the sometimes tragic effects of vaccines. This represents the minority of cases but these are the children that walk into our offices.

Over years of experience and investigation, where I land on vaccinations is that for the health of the individual is: if we give the body time to have a fully formed immune system capable of having a healthy reaction, spread the vaccinations out so that we do not overwhelm the system, give the highest quality vaccines with the fewest toxins, only give what is necessary as in...do not give vaccinations that are not necessary. In my opinion, giving the Hepatitis B vaccine to an infant who is not living with drug addicted or Hep B positive, parents, is unnecessary. Chicken pox is unnecessary- we all had it as a child and not one person I know had complications. The flu shot, unnecessary and ineffective. I have yet to see a person who has received the flu shot not come down with the flu. Other typically childhood vaccinations are much easier for the immune system to handle given one at a time. Testing for HPV is routine and highly treatable and often resolves on its own. We are vaccinating and then continuing to test routinely.

Other countries have adopted more sane vaccine schedules, starting later and giving far fewer vaccines. The US mandates 36 vaccines by the age of 5. Other countries mandate 11-28 vaccines and the mortality rate goes up with the number of vaccines with the US having the highest infant mortality rate.

I understand the fear that stimulates this "emergency" bill but it is not reasonable. This is a fear created by the medical establishment by the drug companies and it preys on parent's sense of protection for their young.

Since the chicken pox vaccine was introduced, the rate of shingles has gone up and is showing up in younger populations. This is a known side effect but it has been decided that the benefit outweighs this issue.

I have been alive long enough to see the effects of much medical hubris. We gave antibiotics for everything because we had it available and it is creating strains of super bugs that we are can not effectively combat. I spend my life working with chronically sick individuals. Why are their immune systems so debilitated. When we test them we find toxins from plastics and pesticides and solvents and heavy metals. Some of these are adjuvants to vaccinations. Each insult to the body adds up in a sensitive individual. We have genetic testing now which may eventually help us to know which children can handle which vaccines. To more carefully weigh the pros and cons. But for now, unless you are a parent who has a child who developed problems after being vaccinated, you have no right to dismiss this as myth.

We need to carefully consider what we are doing. We are messing with the ecosystem of the human body and we are creating chronic issues. I don't have the answers but I recommend that we look to other countries to see how they are handling their vaccination schedules and recommendations. The rest of the world is being more cautious than we are in the US.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

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Vote NO on HB 3063!  
Where there is risk there must be choice  
- Alainna Norland

**From:** [Alan](#)  
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Dear Senators and Representatives,

I am writing to you today with significant concern regarding the health and well being of our children in light of the current proposed legislation HB 3063. Education is vital for all children to obtain, regardless of their parents' religious or philosophical beliefs.

In 1954 the Supreme Court ruled in the landmark case *Brown vs. Board of Education* that segregation of students was unconstitutional. They ruled specifically that "separate was not equal." This applies to the proposed legislation of HB 3063 in that this bill segregates students in who is and who is not allowed to obtain a public or private education.

Many of the families affected by this proposed legislation are minority, low-income/single parent homes. These families may not be able to focus their attention exclusively on home schooling their children, thereby leaving children affected without a solid education. In our own case, if HB3063 passes, we would have to leave the state of Oregon, as we are two working parents that cannot home school.

Please be aware that while there are religious beliefs involved in some parent's vaccination decisions, most parents are not anti-vaccine or anti-science, in fact, many of the parents who oppose HB3063 have vaccinated themselves and their children (although on alternative schedules). What we are against is any unconstitutional government intrusion into our medical and religious freedom that would prohibit children from obtaining their education.

This bill is an absolute affront to any one who values the belief that education is important for EVERY child to receive- regardless of race, ethnicity, religion, or system of beliefs.

Respectfully,  
Alan Rose, Oregon resident

**From:** [Allan Widmeyer](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
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It is a human right to control what is put into ones own body. It is also the parents right to control what is put into the body their children. It is proposed by HB3063 to take away this right.

Many vaccines have been proven dangerous. The manufacturers of most vaccines are immune (no pun intended) from suit for damages caused by their vaccines! This makes it so they have no incentive to make sure the vaccines they produce are safe!

The Vaccine Injury Court is one source to look at to see the damage vaccines do.

The CDC and other "regulatory" agencies DO NOT have to test vaccines to see if they are safe! This should be a requirement. They can rely on the manufacturers "test". The CDC however is managed by prior vaccine industry executives and is not a source of true information regarding vaccines.

Many countries have outlawed some of the vaccines currently on the CDC list. Please look at Japan's example; they have reformulated many vaccines to make them safer but, here we still use the dangerous formulations.

The recent CDC studies on the MMR vaccine showed adverse reactions in one case for 100% of the test participants. Most of the other test groups showed approximately 30% of the participants suffered adverse reactions. Please look at the results of these tests.

Most of these vaccines include mercury, aluminum or other extremely damaging neurotoxins.

In the measles outbreaks back East they occurred in near fully vaccinated populations. Please look carefully at the data before taking away our human right to protect ourselves.

I ask that you vote to protect the right of human beings to not be injected against their will with dangerous substances.

Sincerely,

Allan Widmeyer

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I Vote NO HB3063

**From:** [Alex Cox](#)  
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Vote No on HB 3063!  
I support parental rights!

Alexandra Cox  
Oregon Resident

April 23, 2019

Dear House Committee on Health Care,

This letter is in regard to HB3063 and the dire effects it would have on parental rights to choose whether to vaccinate their children or not. While the debate between the risks and benefits of vaccinations continues to rage on; with robust empirical data demonstrated by both sides of the debate, the issue here is not about the science but about parents' right to choose what is in the best interest of their children.

As a parent to two unvaccinated children, and one child who had an adverse reaction to the Hep B vaccine, I am concerned that the Oregon legislature is making a rash decision to push this bill into law without analyzing and digesting all the necessary and important facts. I am afraid that the media frenzy created by the Washington State Measles outbreak may be clouding the better judgment that is expected from our elected officials, and that the push to pass this bill may be centered on appeasing the masses rather than on a clear understanding of the issue at hand.

Let me be clear on something, my wife and I did not throw caution to the wind when choosing not to vaccinate our children. In fact, to think that those of us who choose not to vaccinate our children do so as a whim of fancy, because it is convenient, or without any consideration, shows the ignorance and rashness with which this bill is laden. A quick look at the statistics of unvaccinated children in the state and in the country will show that most of us that choose not to vaccinate our children are well educated and of higher incomes. We have arrived at these decisions by agonizing over the benefits and the potential risks associated with each and every vaccine. We have consulted with our children's pediatricians, delved into the vaccine product inserts, educated ourselves in the science, and only then arrived at the conclusion that not vaccinating is the best choice for our children. It is up to each one of us as parents to make the choices that are right for our children. I would never ask a parent to make a different choice than the one that they believe and have researched, to be best for their children. Parents who choose not to vaccinate as we have, have done so after educating themselves. There is informed consent that has taken place, not ignorant resistance as some may want to believe. This is not about Pro-Vax against Anti-Vax. This is about preserving a parent's right to choose what is in the best interest of their child.

Many of us have done this with the assistance and support of our children's pediatricians. We are thankful for their guidance and for their own research. We conferred with four pediatricians, all of whom agree that given the adverse reaction our first child had to the Hep B vaccine along with other allergic and medical issues, the risks outweighed the benefits of vaccinations for our children. We know that there are documented adverse effects to all vaccines in the CDC schedule. If there were not, VAERS would not exist and the Federal government would have no reason to protect

the vaccine companies from torts associated with vaccine reactions. And while adverse reactions are rare – reactions that damage children physiologically or neurologically – they do exist. The percentages may be small but no one except a parent should be able to decide if the risk of an adverse reaction is acceptable to them. Passage of this bill would take away a parent's right to choose what is best for their child in this great state. Passage of this bill would put the onus squarely on the State for the possible number of children that could experience severe adverse effects to vaccinations that the State is mandating. I ask you members of the committee, what is an acceptable number of children damaged by the vaccines this bill plans to impose? One, ten, one hundred? Is the collateral damage to one family acceptable for the greater good? It is an easy choice to make when that child is not your own and the laws you are imposing may not have a direct impact on you.

There are a plethora of peer reviewed studies that have shown the risks of vaccinations. Many of these studies have been conducted by respected members of the medical and pharmaceutical community. Let me point you to a couple of these studies, listed here in Appendix A, which I would hope you and members of your staff would look up before pushing this bill to the legislature. It is my sincere hope that after reviewing these studies, you would kill this bill altogether. Each one of these studies is peer reviewed and for those of you members of the committee who may be members of the medical profession, acquiring these studies should not be difficult. Nevertheless, I would be elated to provide you copies of these documents should you have trouble obtaining them.

Additional consequences of this bill include the unintended and unknown monetary effects that may be caused by its passage. Many families may choose to pull their kids from schools, opting to homeschool instead. How much money would the state lose in funding based on numbers of children lost to the school districts as parents choose to homeschool rather than be forced to vaccinate their children? There are currently approximately 16,000 children with exemptions in Oregon. It is believed state funding per child in Oregon to be about \$13,000. If all 16,000 children with exemptions were homeschooled, the state would lose \$208 million dollars in school funding.

How will the Legislature reconcile how removing philosophical exemptions may affect children currently under an IEP in school? Has consideration been given to the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA)? The IDEA states that children with disabilities are to be provided with a "free and appropriate public education." This bill would no longer support and abide by the IDEA. Education for individuals with disabilities would no longer be free, but coerced by the removal of vaccine exemptions. The price of education for these children is their being subjected to vaccinations that their parents, and potentially even their physicians, do not agree are in the best interest of the child. How will this Committee reconcile the removal of free and appropriate education from children?

Additionally, some families may choose to uproot altogether and move to a state where parental rights are observed. The loss of hundreds to thousands of families could have a fiscal impact on the State's income and GDP from wages, taxes, and dispensable income lost to the state as families migrate out of the state. That does not take into account other potential effects, such as negative effects in real estate market valuations and the potential negative impacts to businesses who may lose top talent because of this bill.

I trust that after truly researching the benefits and risk associated with vaccination, the committee will reverse course in pushing HB3063 to the legislative floor for vote. I also trust that the legislature will realize the burden that parents have to make the right decisions for their children, especially difficult decisions such as choosing whether to vaccinate or not. Part of the government's role is to uphold the rights and freedoms of its citizens. Passage of HB3063 would remove such rights and freedoms from parents as they choose the best outcomes for their children.

I thank you for taking the time to read this letter and I trust that the legislature of our great state will not create a law based on knee-jerk reaction but rather that an objective review of the scientific evidence would be performed to determine the best course of action that allows parents to make educated, informed choices about vaccinations.

Respectfully yours,

Alex Gonzalez  
Sherwood, OR

## Appendix A

1. *Relative trends in hospitalization and mortality among infants by the number of vaccine doses and age, based on the Vaccine Adverse Event Reporting System (VAERS), 1990-2010.*

*Human and Experimental Toxicology. 2012.*

*GS Goldman and NZ Miller*

*Conclusion: Our findings show a positive correlation between the number of vaccine doses administered and the percentage of hospitalizations and deaths reported to VAERS. In addition, younger infants were significantly more likely to be hospitalized or die after receiving vaccines. Since vaccines are administered to millions of infants every year, it is imperative that the health authorities have scientific data from synergistic toxicity studies on all combinations of vaccines that infants are likely to receive; universal vaccine recommendations must be supported by such studies.*

2. *Increased risk of developmental neurologic impairment after high exposure to thimerosal-containing vaccine in first month of life.*

*Division of Epidemiology and Surveillance, Vaccine Safety and Development Branch, National Immunization Program, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. 1999.*

*Thomas M. Verstraeten, R. Davies, D. Gu, F. DeStefano*

*Conclusion: This analysis suggests that high exposure to ethyl mercury from thimerosal-containing vaccines in the first month of life increases the risk of subsequent development of neurologic development impairment, but not of neurologic degenerative or renal impairment. Further confirmatory studies are needed.*

3. *Hepatitis B Vaccination of Male Neonates and Autism*

*Annals of Epidemiology, Vol. 19, No. 9 ABSTRACTS (ACE), September 2009: 651-680, p. 659.*

*CM Gallagher, MS Goodman, Graduate Program in Public Health, Stony Brook Medical Center, Stonybrook, NY.*

*Conclusions: Findings suggest that U.S. male neonates vaccinated with Hepatitis B vaccine had a 3-fold greater risk of ASD, risk was greater for non-white boys.*

4. *Infection, vaccines, and other environmental triggers of autoimmunity.*

*Autoimmunity. 2005 May; 38(3):235-45*

*Department of Medicine B and the Center for Autoimmune Diseases, Sheba Medical Center, Tel-Hashomer, Israel.*

*Molina V., Shoenfeld Y.,*

*Conclusions: Vaccines, in several reports were found to be temporally followed by a new onset of autoimmune diseases. The same mechanism that act in infectious invasion of the host, apply*

*equally to the host response to vaccination. It has been accepted for diphtheria and tetanus toxoid, polio and measles vaccines and GBS. Also this theory has been accepted for MMR vaccination and development of autoimmune thrombocytopenia, MS has been associated with HBV vaccination.*

5. *Aluminum Induced Entropy in Biological Systems: Implications for Neurological Disease*

*Journal of Toxicology, Volume 2014 (2014), Article ID 491316*

*Christopher A. Shaw, Stephanie Seneff, Stephen D. Kette, Lucija Tomljenovic, John W. Oller Jr., Robert M. Davidson*

*Conclusions: All these findings plausibly implicate Al adjuvants in pediatric vaccines as causal factors contributing to increased rates of autism spectrum disorders in countries where multiple doses are almost universally administered.*

Dear Governor Kate Brown,

As a Medical Student at Oregon Health and Science University, I am writing on behalf of medical professionals everywhere, to urge action on non-medical exemptions from state immunization laws.

I am very concerned about the recent surge in vaccine preventable diseases such as measles. In 2018, there were 372 confirmed cases of measles; and already, this year, there have been close to 626 individuals confirmed with measles in 22 states. Indeed, Oregon and Southwest Washington have seen one of the largest recent outbreaks of measles in our country.

Vaccines protect the health of children and adults and save lives, especially those in our community who are most vulnerable. They prevent life-threatening diseases and certain forms of cancer.

Claims that vaccines are unsafe or may cause autism have been disproven by a robust body of medical literature including a recent Danish [study](#), published in the Annals of Internal Medicine, that shows that “MMR vaccination does not increase the risk for autism, does not trigger autism in susceptible children, and is not associated with clustering of autism cases after vaccination.”

[Data](#) show that just for children born in the United States in 2009, routine childhood immunizations will prevent approximately 42,000 early deaths and 20 million cases of disease with savings of more than \$82 billion in societal costs.

Outbreaks of vaccine-preventable diseases have been linked to communities of unvaccinated and under vaccinated individuals.

We urge you to support House Bill 3063. We are counting on your support to take the necessary action to protect the health and welfare of patients in our state.

Yours truly,

Alexandra Kiesling

Medical Student, Oregon Health & Science University

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## Opposition to HB 3063

My parents watched me suffer with fever, behavioral changes, and seizures as a direct result of vaccines being administered to me as a baby. I can't prove the link between my subsequent effects from being vaccinated, but I had dyslexia and auto immune issues resulting in chronic sinusitis. I know the live version of polio vaccine I was administered was deemed dangerous and taken off the market. I had the reaction from the whole cell DTaP vaccine. The base ingredients haven't changed much and are still questionable at best for all our current acellular vaccines. They still are not safe!

My sister was told by her doctor (then Dr. Leslie Stone who with a panel of research doctors told her these results) that her three children would in fact react badly to vaccines. This was partly due to Mthfr a2918c double gene mutation in their genetic makeup which her children carried( I likely carry and my three children as well). She was told **THEY SHOULD NOT BE ADMINISTERED** to her children owing to their genetically makeup! This is not merely anecdotal evidence, but based on actual scientific evidence!

You don't fully know what these vaccines will do to us, neither do the companies that make them( for profit), or even the doctors who administer them (for profit). Can you in good conscience vote for mandatory vaccination for all our children? It is not productive to try to force people who know by instinct, factual science, and previous experiences that their genetic makeup makes this Russian Roulette and know there will be consequences? You know the statistics already on how much of the population has been vaccinated in Oregon and CDC is telling us now that still is not enough. The vaccinated population well exceeds their quoted original projection needed for complete herd immunity.

I have three children and my oldest daughter and son will not be able to go to school if HB 3063 is passed. I would need to pay thousands of dollars, I don't have, to try to prove it would harm them! Meanwhile I have a job that requires my full attention, as well as my spouses', for a good part of the year. It is overwhelming when this is put before us and will be for other families in this situation. How are we supposed to feed our families, educate them, and protect them with this law enacted? In addition I have major moral and religious issues with the MMR vaccine in particular, as it uses aborted fetal tissue as a base in its ingredients.

Is the federal government going to cut some of Oregon's funding if you don't pass this bill or the drug companies pushing all? Is it about the money? Fear of a pandemic outbreak? It is wrong in every way to our rights and safety how House Bill 3063 is trying to be passed. I have to ask this question. If a kid or teenager needs to get shots because they can't go back to school without getting them, will they have to have them administered all at once to catch-up on the vaccine schedule? Sounds like that might not be a good idea health wise to mass dose a person's immune system all at once. Is this acceptable for you that they would need to do this to be able to get an education?

You will be taking accountability to this bill if it is passed. You will see the results of what you help cause if you vote for this strike against our freedoms and rights as citizens of Oregon, so think now before passing judgment, about the families you will be harming.

Sincerely, Allison Mysiewicz

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**From:** [Allison Petersen](#)  
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**Subject:** Right to choose  
**Date:** Wednesday, April 24, 2019 6:34:19 AM

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Hello,

My name is Allison Petersen. I am a resident of Oregon and love it here. I moved here to be around family and raise my babies.

Simply put I fully believe In The right to choose what is Injected or not injected into my body as well as my daughters body. This is about nothing else.

Allowing government to choose your medical practices is unconstitutional in many ways and goes against the very idea of freedom.

Putting all ‘to vaccinate or not to vaccinate ‘ discussions aside, what is really on the line is our right to choose our medicine.

Please vote no on this bill. I beg and urge you with everything I am, that we are as a community, and a family, please fight to protect our rights to choose.

Thank you for your time.

Allison Petersen, LeAura Petersen and Oriana Petersen.

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** [Alison Wood](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** HB 3063 Testimony for 4/24/19 Hearing  
**Date:** Monday, April 22, 2019 12:48:02 PM

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Dear Joint Committee on Ways & Means Subcommittee on Human Services,

***Oregon's non-medical exemptions are vital to kids like mine who can neither tolerate vaccines, nor meet the state's totally unreasonable medical exemption criteria.*** Per my son's pediatrician, he should not have vaccines based on his medical history; yet the requirements for medical exemptions are nearly impossible to meet. Losing the non-medical exemption would require us to A) move to a more tolerant state, B) homeschool, or C) play Russian Roulette with my son's health so he can continue to attend the school he loves and where he excels. None of those options are acceptable to my family!

Contrary to the stories in the news, there is not a measles emergency in Oregon. Ten people in Oregon were diagnosed with the measles this year and all Oregon counties, per the Oregon Health Authority, report high MMR vaccination rates. Regarding concerns about alleged rising non-vaccination rates, the most recent Oregon Health Authority report states that the true unvaccinated rate in our state is 2.6%, not the 7.5% that has been widely circulated. Children in Oregon missing just ONE vaccine out of the required 31 are considered by the OHA to be completely unvaccinated! As evidenced by Oregon's high overall vaccination numbers, 97.4% per the Oregon Health Authority, this bill is unnecessary and goes too far.

My significant personal concerns aside, bodily autonomy is a basic human right. This bill cynically uses access to education as a cudgel to enforce vaccine-compliance based on an overly-zealous vaccination schedule and it is families who bear 100% of the risk – not the liability-free vaccine manufacturers, not the liability-free medical personnel who give vaccines, not the liability-free State of Oregon. Where there is risk, there must be a choice.

Please protect education rights in Oregon and vote NO on HB 3063.

Sincerely yours,  
Alison Wood  
Oregon Resident

**From:** [Alycia Nila](#)  
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**Subject:** Oppose HB3063  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 23, 2019 11:40:56 AM

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Hello,

I am sending this in hopes that you will join me in opposing HB 3063. This is going to affect 31,000 plus children and families in the state of Oregon. Parents deserve the right to choose what goes into their child, period. They say this will have no effect on our schools budgets etc. How about the amount of hours these kid's parents volunteer to help with school activities, that donate and contribute to fundraisers, that ask their extended family and friends to help donate.. it may not take away from the budget that the schools are allotted but it will be affected within each school.

This law is backing parents into a corner, either to home school your child (which with the amendments, will now regulate their personal medical information), give your child something that has the potential to cause harm (when they are completely healthy as is) so they can go to school to get a proper education or move out of the state of Oregon. It is forcing parents to choose and it is an unfair choice. Parents who chose to home school their children have chosen to do so for many different reasons which only benefit their child. They have not been forced into this decision. When you force people into home school.. that is a very dangerous and poorly thought out decision because many parents are not prepared or equipped to educate their children in the same way a teacher would be able to at school. Many families are barely making it, living paycheck to paycheck. What will be given up for children to be home schooled? A job? A second income? Maybe they will have to downgrade to a different neighborhood or community because they wont be able to make it or maybe they will be forced to leave the state.

Have you thought about our states current suicide rates? We are among the highest in the country. Do you think that taking kids away from their classrooms, away from teachers who care about them, away from the safety of their schools, away from their social groups and peers... do you think that will increase our already ridiculously high suicide rates? This bill is trying to force parents to vaccinate their kids so they can stay in school. The only medical reason they would be able to get a medical exemption, that their own doctor can't even give, is with an anaphylactic reaction... do you realize how crazy that is? You have to have a reaction, so severe, that you could die. That is what will get you to have a medical exemption written. That is only for 1 vaccine, you would still be required to get the other vaccinations. If you have ever experienced an anaphylactic reaction.. you understand how scary and dangerous that is.. and in a vaccine that has a bunch of ingredients, that are also in a bunch of other vaccines, how do you narrow it down? If this were anything else, food or otherwise, you would avoid anything that could potentially cause that again, right? Now imagine how terrifying it would be to witness that in your child.

Guillain-Barre Syndrome.. you become temporarily paralyzed .. I know people who have had this happen following a flu shot. This is still not enough to qualify for a medical exemption. Cancer, they have not been tested for carcinogenic or mutagenic potential and they haven't been tested for infertility. It says it right in the insert.

How can you try to force people to do this when it is clear as day, that these aren't as safe as they make you believe? How can you ask us to take the risk?

I strongly suggest that you listen to your constituents.. and VOTE NO ON HB 3063.

Thank you,

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***Alycia Nila***

**From:** [Alesya family](#)  
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My testimony is when i gave 6 months due vaccines shots my 6 months old son went into bad reaction eyes turn red. Under eyes puffed up blue. Fever, then chills, and his all body went into chills shever. And to this day, my son is 6 years old and still has chill bumps on his hands, Legs and face and wont go away not one lotion helps. The red eyes n buffed up eyes took one month for that reaction go away. Scary moment!!!

I vote NO HB3063

THANK YOU

Alesya Berkovich  
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Thank you for submitting written testimony to Ways and Means.

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**Subject:** Vote NO HB3063

I Vote NO HB3063

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I ask you to oppose HB 3063. According to a recent report Oregon is now 49th in the entire country for High School graduation. This bill will only make it worse. Currently over 31,000 students would be excluded from public and private schools if this bill passes. According to the CDC and OHA Oregon exceeds the CDC recommended rates to achieve "herd immunity". The current vaccine exemptions policy is working and provides enough obstacles to encourage the parents who choose to vaccinate their children to stay up to date. The parents who are choosing not to follow the current vaccine schedule will not change their minds about vaccinating their children many who have been injured from a vaccine but would not qualify for a medical exemptions under the very narrow definition. These children with be denied their right to an education. Religious and Philosophical exemptions for vaccines must remain an option for parents. Oregon needs to be bettering our graduation rates not making it more difficult for our children to go to school.

Amanda Bedford  
Grants Pass OR

**From:** [Calypso Natural Clinic](#)  
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Where there is risk there needs to be choice!

Thank you very much

Amanda Hoffman Amity Or

**From:** [Amanda Irish](#)  
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**Subject:** Bill HB 3063  
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Yours truly,  
Amanda Irish

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Oregon Health & Science University Medical Student, Class of 2019

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**From:** [Amanda Koenig](#)  
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Vote NO on HB 3063!

I support parental rights.

- Amanda Koenig

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I OPPOSE HB 3063. Do not pass.

Amanda Krider 97321

**From:** [Amanda Metz](#)  
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To whom it may concern,

My name is Amanda Metz, I am a resident of Lake Oswego, a registered democrat with progressive values, a licensed Oregon Special Education Teacher (Early Intervention) and a parent with 2 children ages 9 and 11. Having had children after being an early interventionist I decided to fully vaccinate my children on a delayed schedule so I could be more secure in my decision making. HB 3063 would strip many of this right and put children in harm's way based on how *they* tolerate this medical procedure, in addition to stripping them of their constitutional right to public education for which we pay taxes. **If this law passes, many schools, charter schools, etc will be shut down! Students on IEPs would lose their federal mandated right to services such as OT, PT, speech therapy, and more.** I do not believe that holding one's right to an education hostage unless they got vaccinated would be a positive endeavor to take. The kids will still go to parks, Sunday school, OMSI, target, etc.... This would all have such a negative impact. Would schools lose state funding if parents opted out of school because of this bill?

I do NOT support this bill and have children who are fully vaccinated! Living in America should be a choice, including medical choice! Enough said. I will be attending the rally tomorrow.

Thanks,  
Amanda Metz

From: [Amanda Panda](#)  
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Dear Committee members,

Thanks for taking the time to review my testimony on HB3063. In addition to my original testimony (added below) that I submitted to the Ways and Means Committee. I would like to add that these amendments are going in the wrong direction.

49 adds by rule that OHA can require other diseases to be immunized against. **I do not consent to OHA deciding my child's vaccine schedule and mandating which diseases they must be immunized for.**

- 18 Requires that OHA provides to each board (Oregon Nurses Board, Oregon Naturopath Board and Oregon Medical Board) the medical exemption to be reviewed by their boards monthly. **All this required oversight will be costly at our expense.**

-18 Requires annual reporting on those reviews of the medical exemptions. And to report to legislators and the status of what happened as a result of those reviews. It reviews the exemptions based on "reasonable ACIP guidelines" but does not amend the criteria for medical exemptions and again open to RULES change. **More tax dollars wasted on this review process.**

-18 Requires tracking for homeschoolers and their vaccination rates. **Another waste of tax dollars for more oversight on a bill that is over reaching. You can not forcibly inject toxins in our body to have the right to an education (on-line education is not the same as being in a school with your peers).**

Be sure to include that this is getting worse by the minute and now requiring more funding to man those doing these medical exemption reviews, but also the reports and monthly reviews on the medical exemptions. The medical exemptions are still the same in terms of strictness and still able to be changed by rule of OHA.

I am writing to plead and beg that you oppose HB3063. "Vaccinations have been an unscientific, commercially-based procedure, which are now aligned with pharmaceutical interests." (Lydall, Wendy. *Raising A Vaccine Free Child*. Inkwazi Press 2009). In addition, as a vegetarian family we have serious ethical concerns over injecting vaccines that contain ingredients derived from animals including aborted fetuses, monkeys and chickens. (<http://vk.ovg.ox.ac.uk/vaccine-ingredients>) We are very particular to avoid GMO's and animal products and having them forced into my child's body goes against our beliefs. The ingredients in the vaccines are toxic and we will not allow you to put them in our bodies.

I know the measles "outbreak" has the propaganda machine in full force, but please make sure you are not just jumping on the band wagon without being properly informed. Measles are considered a childhood disease that is self-resolving with

proper care to prevent complications, but no intervention is necessary. Measles is not a disease to be feared if it is properly treated. My parents had measles as did many of their friends in that generation. It did not have the connotation that polio, smallpox or TB did. (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mDb0ZS3vB9g&fbclid=IwAR12EIUaI9jGyNSqO7LMq6VnMikbN71ojQ3YAO59NOG-PatjFiMXdAT9IHY>) There have been no deaths in this "outbreak" that have been reported, and now those who were infected have a life-long immunity to measles. Unlike the two people who contracted measles in this outbreak who had their MMR vaccine. There are even studies (not many since pharmaceuticals have no vested interest in it) that show having normal childhood diseases like measles or chicken pox strengthens your immune system and can even lower risks of certain cancers. (<https://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S030698779890055X>)

While measles can be detrimental to those with serious underlying conditions that existed prior to catching measles, there are also risks involved for those who get the vaccine. Unfortunately, this information on vaccine damage is not reported properly. Again it is not in the best interest of the big pharmaceutical companies to allow this information to be connected to their vaccines. In 2012, the Cochrane Collaborative examined 57 studies and clinical trials involving approximately 14.7 million children who had received the MMR vaccine. While the study authors stated that they were not able to detect a "significant" association between MMR vaccine and autism, asthma, leukemia, hay fever, type I diabetes, gait disturbance, Crohn's disease, demyelinating diseases or bacterial or viral infections, they reported that:

***"The design and reporting of safety outcomes in MMR vaccine studies, both pre- and post-marketing, are largely inadequate."*** (Demicheli V, Rivetti A, et al. (Intervention Review) [Vaccines for Measles, Mumps and Rubella in Children](#). *The Cochrane Library* 2012, Issue 2.) As of January 2, 2019, there have been 1,258 claims filed so far in the federal Vaccine Injury Compensation Program (VICP) for 82 deaths and 1,176 injuries that occurred after measles vaccination. Of that number, the U.S. Court of Claims administering the VICP has compensated 483 children and adults, who have filed claims for measles vaccine injury. ( U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. [National Vaccine Injury Compensation Program Data —January 2, 2019](#). *National Vaccine Injury Compensation Program*. Jan. 2, 2019) Please read through the accounts on this site (<https://www.vaccineinjury.info/diseases-and-vaccines/measles/measles-vaccine-damage-reports.html>) for the less publicized side account from people who have experienced vaccine damage from MMR.

Please do not buy into the hysteria of this measles outbreak and take away my child's right to an education. Under the Oregon State Compulsory Education Law my child should be guaranteed an education. However, if HB3063 passes, you would be denying my child access to that education as we will not be forced to inject these vaccines in his body. Denying children an education to force vaccines is not the way to go. As it is Oregon already has a low unvaccinated rate of 2.6%. People such as myself are a minority and pose little threat to your herd immunity. MMR rates are

high in Oregon and given that most of the children that have contracted the measles are unvaccinated those who have had their vaccines should feel safe. Unless your goal is to force vaccines on all the population, then there will always be those who choose to not have certain vaccines or maybe none at all. When the state starts forcing us to inject things in our bodies that go against our ethical/religious beliefs and have known harmful side effects this is no longer the "free" country we so proudly claim it to be.

I have to include this great statement issued by The Association of American Physicians and Surgeons (AAPS) : [https://aapsonline.org/measles-outbreak-and-federal-vaccine-mandates/?fbclid=IwAR2Dk3zUY3SZec3Iz1PXtqw-Wy-10WdRoMQmCpS6k2qfPY1Y8Bm5fpXF4\\_s](https://aapsonline.org/measles-outbreak-and-federal-vaccine-mandates/?fbclid=IwAR2Dk3zUY3SZec3Iz1PXtqw-Wy-10WdRoMQmCpS6k2qfPY1Y8Bm5fpXF4_s)

Below are some other great points that I would like to share as well:

01. Vaccine manufacturers have NO liability (National Childhood Vaccine Injury Act of 1986), so CANNOT be sued for injury from their product and they have no incentive to make their product as safe as possible.
02. Vaccines are not held to the same double blind gold standard of clinical testing as other pharmaceutical drugs because they are considered biological products under the Public Health Federal Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act.
03. The per vaccine Federal Excise Tax is used to pay vaccine injuries through the Dept. of Justice in the National Vaccine Injury Compensation Program (NVICP) has paid out OVER \$4 BILLION to date.
04. Vaccines contain neurotoxins (aluminum and mercury) far exceeding "safe levels" deemed by the EPA.
05. Vaccines contain cancer-causing ingredients, and have never been tested if they cause cancer, infertility or DNA mutation (Section 13.1 of every vaccine package insert).
06. Some vaccines are made from aborted fetal cell lines. (WI-38 and MC5-5 Human Cell Fibroblasts)
07. Vaccines are not 100% effective and a vaccinated person can get the disease they were vaccinated for.
08. A vaccinated person carries the disease they were vaccinated for, "shedding" it, for up to 6 weeks.
09. The concept of herd/community immunity cannot be achieved by vaccines because vaccines are NOT 100% effective. Unlike lifetime immunity afforded by disease, vaccine-induced immunity lasts 2-10 years.
10. Doctors receive financial rewards from insurance companies for having patients fully vaccinated (~\$400 per patient). They are advised NOT to share all the risks or the vaccine package inserts, so 100% informed choices cannot be made in a doctor's office when vaccinating.
11. Vaccine injury is under-reported. VAERS is the only way to officially report a vaccine injury and is tedious with no incentive for a doctor to fill it out.
12. Vaccine mandates (like SB277 and SB792 in CA) literally hand over new customers to pharmaceutical companies, and remove rights to choose what is injected into a person's body.
13. Pharmaceutical companies spend up to 19 times more on advertising than they do on research.
14. Corporate mainstream media gets 70% of their advertising revenue from pharmaceutical companies.
15. Vaccine safety and efficacy research is not conducted by independent researchers and so is biased.
16. The full CDC recommended vaccine schedule has never been tested. Vaccinated children are the human experiment.
17. All vaccines can cause injury or death, and there is no way to tell who will have a reaction.

18. Most doctors receive 30 MINUTES on vaccine education (that they are safe, effective and a must) during their 8 YEARS in medical school.

19. If someone dies from a vaccine, their family will be awarded no more than \$250,000. Most cases of vaccine injury are dismissed because doctors and vaccine manufacturers deny a causation link. The statutory time limit for filing a claim is only 2 years after death and 3 years from the time of vaccine injury.

20. The government plan "Healthy People 2020" has a goal to fully vaccinate all children and adults by 2020. There are 217 new vaccines being created right now. How many is too many?

21. Robert F. Kennedy Jr. and iCanDecide.org sued HHS for 1986 NCVIP Federal Mandate that Safety Studies Are Conducted Bi-Annually. Zero have been conducted. Vaccines are safe and effective? Prove it.

23. BEST Science-based Books: How to End the Autism Epidemic by JB Handley, Plague of Corruption by Dr. Judy Mikovits, Dissolving Illusions by Dr. Suzanne Humphries

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Hello,

I am writing you asking you to please vote no on HB 3063. Since this bill was introduced it has become worse and worse. As a mother of one young child and currently pregnant with my next due soon, I fear for my child's future here in Oregon. My daughter suffered an adverse reaction from the DTaP per the vaccine insert and our doctor, but we were informed her reaction didn't warrant a medical exemption and instead, by our pediatrician, we were told to utilize non-medical for her, now it hangs in the air if she will get to have a normal childhood because we do not feel safe continuing to vaccinate her as we couldn't be promised she would not react again, and when you've already seen your child suffer you can't be expected to take that chance again. We have been promised medical exemptions would be expanded and instead things seem to get more restrictive. I beg you to please vote no, thank you for your time.

Best regards,

Amber Myers

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“Vote NO on HB 3063!

I support parental rights. Where there is risk there must be choice.

Oregon is AT herd immunity with 95% vaccinated for measles. There is no justification for stripping us of our religious, parental and medical freedom rights. Parents will not vaccinate; they will their kids out of school and either leave the state or continue fighting in Oregon. If passed, you can expect the vaccine issue to continue to consume your time.

Thank you,  
Amber Scott

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My name is Amber Sims and I oppose HB 3063. I ask that the following information be submitted as public testimony and record (this information has also been attached as a PDF).

This is based on an analysis and published article by reporter Daniel Forbes in regards to HB 3063 and the suggested "catch up schedule" that was testified about by Dr. Paul Cieslak:

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Kind Regards,  
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Dear wonderful representatives and legislators of our great state of Oregon,

I urge you to vote no on HB 3063. It is really not necessary. Enough children in Oregon are vaccinated to fall within the numbers necessary for herd immunity. Passing this bill won't help, but will rather hurt. I know that most of you got into government in order to help people.

Kicking over 30,000 children out of school will hurt schools that are already low on funding. It will also hurt Oregon's graduation rate that we're trying to improve. Many parents don't have the option to quit work in order to home school their children. What would single parents do? Forcing parents to quit work in order to home school their children will put more people on Oregon's overburdened welfare system.

Parents will not vaccinate their children in order to just have them attend school. They believe their children's well-being is at stake. I've seen the conversations on Facebook pages. People are already discussing moving to states like Idaho and Texas because they're considered "free" states. Don't let Oregon be known as a state of tyranny. No one in the United States (land of the free) should have to flee their state for freedom. Don't let Oregon be known as one of "those" states. Keep the Oregon we know and love a sanctuary state for our nation's children too.

Thank you for your consideration.  
Sincerely,  
Amber Walker

**From:** [Amy Aldinger](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** PLEASE VOTE NO ON HB3063  
**Date:** Monday, April 22, 2019 10:00:33 PM

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Dear Co-Chair Sen Lee Beyer,

I am urging you to VOTE NO on HB3063 and any amendments this Wednesday at the Public Hearing.

PLEASE protect our medical rights and freedoms as parents, Oregonians and American citizens!

I have done my research as I've had my babies and have definitely vaccinated them all. But I absolutely disagree with any kind of mandatory vaccinations!!! That is a huge stripping of parental rights & is wrong! I followed my own vaccine schedule for each of my children based off of the research I had done and the needs they had. I withheld vaccinations with too great of risks, delayed others and did just as suggested on the rest. I feed my family healthy, we have limited video game time, we have bedtimes, family times and we eat dinner at the dinner table as a family most nights a week, we exercise and work hard at school, home and life. We are good citizens. We pay our bills and have no debt. We watch pollutants...avoiding as many chemicals, artificial flavors, colors and preservatives and other poisonous things that we can. We are trying to be healthy and firmly believe in life and health! We have all struggled in our family with differing food allergies and seasonal allergies. We have to be very careful what all we ingest and are around. I firmly believe that the risks, as well as adding ANY PART of aborted babies (cells, body parts, etc) mixed in with the vaccines can be behind some of the greatest health, mental, emotional, hormonal, & psychological issues our society fights on a daily basis! I URGE you, first of all, please don't take away our parental rights!!! Please don't FORCE us to vaccinate our children & please don't FORCE us to do that on anyone's schedule but ours'...parent's choice (the ones who know and love our children best!) Please don't segregate children who aren't fully vaccinated, harming their right to get public education (or even private, for that matter!)!!! There are SO many things WRONG with this bill!

PLEASE DON'T TAKE AWAY OUR PARENTAL RIGHTS! WE ARE AMERICANS WHO LIVE IN THE LAND OF THE FREE and the home of the brave! Please keep it that way!

PLEASE stand up for the people of Oregon that you represent! I urge you to use the platform you've been given to do what is actually right and NOT be swayed by money, peer pressure, etc. We need leaders we can depend on to do the RIGHT THING and that is to keep parental rights and allow us to keep our and our children's bodies as purely healthy as we can be...on our own! (I assure you, we DON'T need the government's help in this department!)

People who fear those diseases are free to vaccinate their children if they desire. (It's THEIR PARENTAL RIGHT!!) But to let THEIR fear become something I am forced to do AGAINST MY WILL (and the research I have done) is simply WRONG! PLEASE VOTE NO ON HB3063 and

any amendments this Wed. Thank you for your time and strong consideration! Sincerely, Amy

**From:** [Amy Aldinger](#)  
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**Date:** Wednesday, April 24, 2019 8:13:45 AM

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You're welcome! Thank you for letting me know you got it & thank you for VOTING NO TODAY ON HB3063 & for standing for parental rights, homeschool freedoms, children's ACTUAL HEALTH & SAFETY (to be determined by their parents who know & love them best & on an individual basis!!)

I urge a VOTE NO ON 3063 today!  
Thank you!

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**From:** JWMHS Exhibits <JWMHS.Exhibits@oregonlegislature.gov>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 23, 2019 9:06:29 AM  
**To:** Amy Aldinger  
**Subject:** RE: PLEASE VOTE NO ON HB3063

Thank you for submitting written testimony to Ways and Means.

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**From:** Amy Aldinger <sonshine5501@hotmail.com>  
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Dear Co-Chair Sen Lee Beyer,

I am urging you to VOTE NO on HB3063 and any amendments this Wednesday at the Public Hearing.

PLEASE protect our medical rights and freedoms as parents, Oregonians and American citizens!

I have done my research as I've had my babies and have definitely vaccinated them all. But I absolutely disagree with any kind of mandatory vaccinations!!! That is a huge stripping of parental rights & is wrong! I followed my own vaccine schedule for each of my children based off of the research I had done and the needs they had. I withheld vaccinations with too great of risks, delayed others and did just as suggested on the rest. I feed my family healthy, we have limited video game time, we have bedtimes, family times and we eat dinner at the dinner table as a family most nights a week, we exercise and work hard at school, home and life. We are good citizens. We pay our bills and have no debt. We watch pollutants...avoiding as many chemicals, artificial flavors, colors and preservatives and other poisonous things that we can. We are trying to be healthy and firmly believe in life and health! We have all struggled in our family with differing food allergies and seasonal allergies. We have to be very careful what all we ingest and are around. I

firmly believe that the risks, as well as adding ANY PART of aborted babies (cells, body parts, etc) mixed in with the vaccines can be behind some of the greatest health, mental, emotional, hormonal, & psychological issues our society fights on a daily basis! I URGE you, first of all, please don't take away our parental rights!!! Please don't FORCE us to vaccinate our children & please don't FORCE us to do that on anyone's schedule but ours'...parent's choice (the ones who know and love our children best!) Please don't segregate children who aren't fully vaccinated, harming their right to get public education (or even private, for that matter!!!!) There are SO many things WRONG with this bill!

PLEASE DON'T TAKE AWAY OUR PARENTAL RIGHTS! WE ARE AMERICANS WHO LIVE IN THE LAND OF THE FREE and the home of the brave! Please keep it that way!

PLEASE stand up for the people of Oregon that you represent! I urge you to use the platform you've been given to do what is actually right and NOT be swayed by money, peer pressure, etc. We need leaders we can depend on to do the RIGHT THING and that is to keep parental rights and allow us to keep our and our children's bodies as purely healthy as we can be...on our own! (I assure you, we DON'T need the government's help in this department!)

People who fear those diseases are free to vaccinate their children if they desire. (It's THEIR PARENTAL RIGHT!!) But to let THEIR fear become something I am forced to do AGAINST MY WILL (and the research I have done) is simply WRONG! PLEASE VOTE NO ON HB3063 and any amendments this Wed. Thank you for your time and strong consideration! Sincerely, Amy

**From:** [Amy Berg](#)  
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Ways and Means Committee,

Please oppose HB3063. This bill, if passed, will greatly affect my family as well as thousands of others in Oregon.

If passed, our family will have no choice but to move out of Oregon, a place we have lived our whole lives. We refuse to live in a place where our children are segregated and discriminated against.

The impact our move will have on the State of Oregon:

- No private school money for our daughter to attend 2 years of preschool
- No public school funding for my son currently in Kindergarten
- No state taxes collected on our income
- Loss of small business
- Our home will be sold
- Loss of money for team sports activities

These are only a few of the ways Oregon will lose money. Multiply this by thousands.

Parents are NOT going to give up their rights and consent to injecting their children with untested toxins because Oregon tells them to. They will move, and others with families will avoid moving to Oregon.

HB 3063 is bad business, bad policy and violates human rights. Oregon is better than this!

Thank you,

Amy Berg and Charles Stewart

Sent from my iPhone

I don't want to live in Nazi Oregon.  
Vote NO on HB 3063

**From:** [Aimee Funk](#)  
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Vote no on HB 3063- protect our parental rights.

Hello. My name is Amy Long and I live in Newberg, Oregon. I am writing to oppose HB3063.

My main reason for opposing this bill is as follows:

- 1 There is no emergency. 10 measles cases in Oregon out of a population of 3,831,074 is not an emergency.
- 2 Oregon already has herd immunity status.
- 3 This bill puts the medical decisions for a child with the state and takes away the parental rights as well as the doctor/patient relationship. This basically gives medical decision making process over to the Oregon Health Authority (an unelected authority). Medical exemptions are NOT easy to obtain and my family wouldn't qualify despite having genetic mutations, autoimmune and disease history that makes us pre-disposed to injury.
- 4 This bill would discriminate against the 31,000 Oregon children who have exemptions on file. Is the state prepared to either loose these children (and their families) or is the state prepared to allow that many children to participate in online school? What about the children that already use special resources and needs from the school? How will they receive their education and services?
- 5 Finally, In an era of "My body my choice", "informed consent", and "bodily integrity" this bill goes completely against this mantra. When there is a risk there must be a choice – especially for a product that is free from liability. There are real risks.
- 6 This bill gives OHA a blank check to add any vaccine in the future.

I urge you to consider my written testimony in opposition to HB 3063 – Please vote No! When there is a risk, there must be a choice.

**From:** [amy.rohrer](mailto:amy.rohrer)  
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**Subject:** testimony OPPOSE HB 3063  
**Date:** Monday, April 22, 2019 6:09:11 PM

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To the Committee reviewing HP 3063:

I am writing **again** to ask that you **Oppose** HB 3063. Our family is not "anti-vaxx" however forcing vaccinations is not the answer. I know that vaccines have their purpose and their benefits. Vaccines eradicated small pox from the world and Polio from our country. However, vaccines also have many drawbacks and are not perfect. A few vaccines, or immunizations, have worked well and over many, many years have proven to be safe. But, many of the vaccines have flaws and are not suitable for every child or adult - regardless of visible health (ie: cancer patient or not, as an example).

There are many parts of this bill that do not protect my rights or my child's. There are many parts of this bill that are not American. As you are receiving many testimonies and emails about this issue I will speak to just one part of the bill but know that I am in opposition to much more than one part.

Amendment 49 allows OHA to require any immunizations beyond what is currently called out in the bill. When will the immunization list end? When will enough be enough? And with such strict exemptions parents have no rights to protect their children from injury. The HPV vaccine is an example of a vaccine that was developed and put out to the public without adequate testing. The side effects and horror stories associated with this vaccine are gruesome and yet it is still on the market. How many more inadequately tested vaccines will be forced upon helpless children - *millions* of children. An excellent way to prevent HPV is abstinence and it has no side effects.

The amendments to this bill have only made it worse. It is now stripping even more families of their rights and protections *and* requires more funding to man those doing the medical exemption reviews, and the reports and monthly reviews on the medical exemptions.

Please listen to your constituents, protect the rights of parents to make decisions for their children and most of all protect ALL children of this state. T

Thank you,  
Frank and Amy Rohrer  
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**From:** [AMY GRATE](#)  
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My husband and I are both 8th generation Oregonians. We choose to establish our next generation's roots here because this state is part of our heritage. Oregon prides itself on its forward thinking, progressive ideals that value individual freedoms and liberties. I am dismayed that this state would even consider HB 3063 as this would take away parental rights and medical freedoms from the 445,614 families in Oregon.

I was fully vaccinated as a child, but born in 1982, the vaccine schedule was drastically different from present day. My husband on the other hand had a severe, life threatening reaction to DTap at 2 months old. So severe, his heart stopped. He had to be resuscitated. This isn't some anecdotal story of some stranger on the internet. This one is personal. Our 4 young children, 4 year old Madeleine, 2.5 year old twins Oliver and Parker, and our newest 5 month old Grayson, have never been vaccinated. The choice was a simple one for us. The risk far exceeded any benefit that the vaccines would give. We refuse to chance a genetic predisposition to a life threatening vaccine reaction in lieu of diseases that have been eradicated or, if contracted, are easily managed and treated and actually provide the benefit of lifelong immunity. Many of these diseases don't even require medical treatment. In fact, for my children the risk of death from getting a vaccine far exceeds the risk of dying from the disease "prevented" by vaccines.

Now, please put yourselves into our lives, your spouse has had a life threatening reaction, could you knowingly take a chance with your children's lives? That is exactly what this bill would ask us to do. Sacrifice our children. My husband did not just have a rash or redness. At 2 months old, his heart stopped. This reaction is not considered a contraindication according to the CDC that would render my children medically exempt from the vaccine. No, according to the CDC, our children would only be eligible **AFTER** they themselves have a reaction. What happens if the reaction for my children is so severe that they die, and unlike my husband, they can not be resuscitated? Even if one of my children has a severe reaction (and worse case dies) this still would not exempt my other children. This may seem like an extreme scenario to you, but for me it's reality. This is the choice that we have to make. Could you knowingly and intentionally take that risk with your child or children?

My mother also was fully vaccinated on an even more limited vaccine schedule. Yet as a child, she still contracted Mumps and Measles with no short term or long term effects. Again, this is not an anecdotal story. This is real life. Vaccines are not 100% effective. **In fact, 7 in 100 who have had the MMR vaccine can still get Measles according to the CDC.** Based on this information, if everyone in Oregon was exposed and you had a 100% vaccination rate, this would mean that **293,370** Oregonians could still get the Measles. With the current

vaccination rate and only a handful of cases, there is no epidemic or a state emergency that warrants even considering mandatory vaccination in this state. Of note, the Measles outbreak deemed a medical emergency has resulted in **ZERO** deaths. **Zero.** 626 nationwide have been infected, which makes up **0.000019041%** of the US population. How ridiculous does one have to be to consider that figure an "emergency" to mandate vaccines on everyone or risk sacrificing their education. Especially in light of an already highly vaccinated public.

I understand the potential benefits about vaccinations and herd immunity. In theory, this is great for the overall population's health. However, concerns have been raised in recent years about the overall safety of vaccinations. You may garner more support for a measure like this in the future, including mine, if more emphasis was placed on honestly investigating the claims made about safety and overturn the National Childhood Vaccine Injury Act of 1986. The elimination of financial liability for vaccine manufacturers does nothing to increase the safety of vaccinations. In fact, it does exactly the opposite. **If they are safe, why the need to protect pharmaceutical companies from financial liability?**

Science is not settled. While the Autism and vaccine debate seems settled from those in the science community, there is no denying the rise in Autism and other neurodevelopmental disorders at the same time as an expansion of the vaccine schedule. While those in the science community claim there is no link, there are NIH studies that do in fact find causation. Non bias studies need to be performed to evaluate the role vaccinations play in skyrocketing rates of neurodevelopment disorders, allergies, autoimmune, and cancers in children. Not studies with predetermined outcomes where data is manipulated to get the outcome that benefits a pharmaceutical companies' bottom line. An honest blind study that seeks to find the truth in the safety of vaccinations or whether we are manufacturing an even more serious epidemic by the ever increasing vaccination schedule.

Another concern is the ingredients found in vaccines, such as glyphosate, the active ingredient in RoundUP, which was in the news just this last month due a second court decision that glyphosate causes cancer. In 2016, Moms Across America hired an independent laboratory to test vaccines for the presence of glyphosate. Their findings indicated that glyphosate was present in vaccines for Influenza, MMR, Pneumococcal, Hep B, and TDap. This is just one ingredient of many that has raised concerns. A reminder that Hep B is administered within hours of birth. That newborn is injected with a cancer causing agent within moments of being born to "prevent" a disease that is contracted through sexual contact or intravenous drug use.

We have the same goal. We all want healthier children and a healthier Oregon. Let's not trade one epidemic for another. Please advocate for investigating the vaccine safety claims and studies and put pressure on the FDA, CDC and the pharmaceutical companies to increase the safety of vaccinations. Too much money is involved, too many unsafe ingredients, too many

reactions and far too many vaccine injured. It's time to focus on improving the vaccines instead of mandating the administration of them.

The censorship is also concerning. When you see Amazon pulling vaccination awareness movies, like Vaxxed, and YouTube punishing those who provide information about vaccine safety concerns, you have to think rationally at what is trying to be hidden or what agenda promoted. In a free country with freedom of speech, why the sudden push to silence those who raise valid concerns. Don't we all want the same thing? A people and a healthy community?

It's important that you understand the potential consequences of your decision: the thousands impacted with injuries, cancer, diseases and death as a result of vaccines. The tens of thousands of students who will be excluded from education in this state, all for wanting to increase the vaccination rate a couple of percentage points. According to Oregon Health Authority's own website, only 2% of Kindergartners get an exemption for all school required vaccines. 2%. Let that sink in. Yet, HB 3063 wants to mandate every vaccine for every student on their schedule. Not the doctors schedule. Not the parents schedule. Not the people who know the child the best. Vaccination, like every other medical decision, should be a decision made by the patient or patient's parents' and their medical doctor.

The Oregon Constitution Article 1, Section 3 states "**No law shall in any case whatever control the free exercise, and enjoyment of religious opinions, or interfere with the rights of conscience.**" HB 3063 would be a direct violation of the Oregon Constitution. An amendment would be necessary, and would have to be put before Oregon voters. As representatives and senators, you have been elected by your constituents to uphold the state constitution. You may **NOT** create laws that violate the this or any other article of our constitution.

We have the right to personal freedom and the rights of conscience. Through this we have the right to decide what is put into our bodies. As parents, we have the right to make this decision for our children until they are at the age of consent to make the informed decision for themselves. The state has **NO** rights to demand what I put in mine or my children's bodies. The state also has **NO** right to hold my children's education and my tax dollars hostage by demanding I give up mine and my children's medical freedom.

Wherever there is a risk, there must **ALWAYS** be a choice.

My husband and I strongly urge you to vote **NO** on HB 3063.

Amy Rowley  
Beaverton, Oregon

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Im a native Oregonian, business owner and parent in Portland OR. I just received notice that a hearing will be held on HB 3063. While I have a vaccinated family I am strongly urging you to vote no on HB 3063. The bill was a bad bill to start. Now I see that our government is over reaching into the business of homeschoolers and wants to track them as well. This is completely unacceptable! We know that the lawmakers won't stop there and that they will step by step keep coming for more control over our families medical choices. Its bad enough that families I know will be forced to homeschool, and mine may well be forced to as well as we have skipped the HepB vaccine and don't need the chicken pox vaccine due to natural immunity. Its horrendous that my lawmakers think its ok to start tracking homeschoolers, kick kids out of school for private medical choices and on top of that the over-the-shoulder watching of medical professionals will make them afraid to write medical exemptions despite those already being extremely hard to get. This bill is wrong on so many levels. Please stop this awful bill in its tracks. Its gotten out of hand and its not what Oregon is about.

Ana L.  
Hillsboro OR

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Dear Members of the Subcommittee on Human Services,

I can only hope that you will listen to the voices of the community about the rights of parents to make informed decisions for their children based on their own knowledge and experience of their child, in addition to the evidence available to review and research. I cannot allow anything to be put into my children's body, or my own body, that I don't agree to. I do not consent to mandatory vaccination of a schedule that I have thoroughly researched, and know is not only NOT 100% safe but is DEFINITELY 100% liability-free. No other pharmaceutical product on this Earth is liability-free or as understudied as vaccines.

I am writing you to tell you that my oldest child had an adverse reaction to her vaccination booster in the first grade. She was fully vaccinated on a spaced-out schedule up until that last vaccination. What came after, was months of stress and hardship for our family. My second child, who is a toddler, is still unvaccinated. I carry a gene (confirmed by genetic testing) that doesn't allow my body to process out toxins like heavy metals, and other typically "normal" toxins we are exposed to environmentally. Due to symptoms my children exhibit, it's likely they too carry this gene mutation. Moreover, it makes vaccinations, as they are currently manufactured, extremely risky for them. I am NOT anti-vaccination. I believe in science. I believe in community health. I believe in healthy children. I believe there is a better way to support the immune systems of my children and it is my choice, not the governments. The government is not my child's parent and they are not the one responsible for the care of my child. If my already injured child becomes more injured or my other child were to be injured with her first vaccine or thereafter, who is going to be caring for my children—me, not the government. Not OHA. Not the legislators. This is all up to me and is completely my choice and should always remain so.

Just like the systems of education and justice, our healthcare is not a one size fits all system. Healthcare is subjective, and what is good, safe and healthy for one person isn't necessarily for the next. I am unwilling to risk the safety and health of my child especially when research shows the efficacy and safety of vaccines is at issue. There are no active cases in Oregon and with the 10 we saw this year no one had complications from the virus. There is NO EMERGENCY!

The 31,500 children enrolled in schools will not get vaccinated with HB 3063. And even if for some crazy reason they all did, they only represent .2% and that will not impact community-immunity. This bill won't change parents. It will only put more burden on parents, schools, our public health authorities.

Please know my husband and I are educated, thoughtful parents both with careers in defending/caring for our community's most marginalized populations. We care deeply about our community and our main priority is our children. Please do not let the bill HB3063 move forward. Children should not be excluded from their right to an education based on their parents philosophical and religious beliefs and I should not have to flee the state I was born in and have lived my entire life in.

Very Sincerely,

Andrea Titus

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I am Andrew Bennett from Wilsonville, OR and I oppose HB 3063.

Health care decisions for my child should not to be made by politicians. Health care decisions for my child should be made by myself, my husband, and my child's **medical professional** who knows my child's health history and genetics. My child reacted to his newborn shots and screamed a high pitched, ear piercing scream all waking hours for 9 months following his birth. After what he went through, I will not continue vaccinating my child. There is a true risk to vaccination, and where there is risk, there MUST be choice.

I do not believe children should be excluded from school or childcare facilities because their parents exempt their child from one or more vaccines due to deep religious or philosophical beliefs. Passing this bill will not make parents vaccinate their children - these parents will pull their kids out of schools and either homeschool or leave the state of Oregon. This will affect schools in Oregon negatively.

There is NO measles crisis in Oregon. Stop this bill and stop putting pharmaceutical companies profits ahead of our children's health.

**Please vote NO on HB 3063. Please do not take our children's education away.**

Thank you,  
Andrew Bennett

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Do not pass HB 3063.

I am opposed to HB 3063. I think it represents an erosion of our rights as citizens to make informed, educated decisions about our children's healthcare. It also erodes the right for citizens to practice their religious and spiritual faith without interference and coercion by the state government. Citizens have valid concerns about ingredients in vaccines and are smart enough to make informed medical decisions and religious decisions for their families. The cost of this bill will include less enrolled students since parents that have obtained exemptions will choose homeschool or moving out of state rather than get what they feel are unnecessary vaccines like the Hepatitis B vaccine which is spread mostly via sex and shared needles. These are our children not junkies.

I urge you to vote down this bill! Please keep the vaccine religious/philosophical exemption option available for Oregonians.

My family has a history of bad reactions to vaccines, maybe because of the toxic ingredients that are added to them such as aluminium, formaldehyde, and thimerosal. Vaccines aren't 100% safe and effective, some people react very badly to them.

The state needs to protect our rights as citizens to make informed health decisions for our families. Please understand that 95% or more of school children in OR are fully vaccinated. The state doesn't need to target the small percentage of families that have concerns about vaccine safety or religious beliefs that make them choose to not vaccinate.

Medical freedom is an American value, mandatory vaccination is not! Religious freedom without coercion and intimidation by the state is an American Value, forced vaccination is not!

There have been a few cases of measles in Oregon this year, however; this fact doesn't mean that there is an emergency that warrants stripping away citizen's rights to make the final choice about vaccination for their children. Religious and philosophical exemptions to vaccine mandates have been in place for 45 years in Oregon. It is wise to have this safety valve for parents. Past Oregon politicians have respected the concept of nonmedical exemption options for Oregonians.

Oregon citizens did not ask for HB 3063! It is a coordinated effort by some politicians and their pharmaceutical industry lobby to push forward an unnecessary law. The consequences if this law if passed are severe for families that have children that have not had all their vaccines. It would require them to get fully vaccinated in a short amount of time. Who will pay this medical bill?

For a completely unvaccinated child who has legally obtained exemptions under current Oregon law, HB 3063 translates to 18 shots total before they could enter school. Normally, that many shots would be spread out over many years. What is the health effect of attempting to get "caught up" on the current intense schedule of mandated vaccines? Can the state guarantee that getting completely caught up on vaccine won't cause injury or

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There is no emergency in Oregon that justifies stripping us of the important safety valve that is the non-medical exemption. Oppose HB 3063.

Thanks

Andrew Black

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Thanks

Andrew Black

After reading HB3063 and see these problems with implementation of this bill. I will start with Section 7.2: You are giving the OHA who, last I checked, has no qualified doctors/physicians working for them. As such, OHA is going to depend on information from the CDC. What is the criteria to be used to determine what should and should not be placed on the “restricted diseases” list? Who is to make the final determination on that list? When will the list be updated? How and when will the list be reflected within the ORSA when OHA has determined that a new disease is to be placed on the list? Will OHA update the then have the ORS’s be updated?

Section13: The bigger question here is why do 400 cases of the measles now constitute an emergency when back in 2014 there 667 cases reported? This is fear mongering plain and simple.

My final point relates to the Legislative Counsel’s own words regarding –A47 (memo to Senator Thatcher): “The Process Clause of the United States Constitution requires a rational basis for laws that create classifications and treat members of one class differently from members of a different class”. In this case you are subjugating children (a subclass) to immunizations. On top of that you are targeting a sub class within the children, the non-vaccinated. Your own Legislative Counsel has already found this House Bill to be breaking with the Due Process Clause for –A47 for HB3063. As such, I would request that the ENTIRE Legislative Assembly, along with the Governor step up and get in line to be vaccinated, regardless of how they vote on this House Bill as you have all failed the people of Oregon.

Andrew Fowler

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**Date:** Tuesday, April 23, 2019 10:15:32 AM

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My name is Ava Adams, I am the mother of a child who would lose his educational rights as a disabled student if this bill passes, and I am speaking today in opposition of it. Firstly, because I am addressing the Joint Committee of Ways and Means, I want to make a quick statement about the financial impact this bill would have. Over 31,000 students will no longer be students in public schools in the state of Oregon if HB 3063 passes, which would be a massive blow to many of the smaller school districts. Newberg School District, where my son currently attends school, has already had to let go teachers and other staff members in September because they over-estimated what the student numbers would be for the 2018-19 school year. Newberg SD cannot afford to lose any more students, and if this bill passes, it undoubtedly would. My family and I have already planned where we will move, and that includes not only myself and my son, but my mother, my sister in law and her son, and my sister in laws parents, all of whom are upper middle class and pay a large amount in taxes every year in Oregon. They would be taking that tax money and property money to another state. Multiple their response by thousands and you can get a pretty good idea of how negative this bill would be for the economy in Oregon, as well as for the schools. Parents who are self educated about vaccines, and/or who have a child that has experienced a serious vaccine injury, are not going to change their minds about this pharmaceutical product because a legislation passes that attempts to force them to choose between their children's health and their children's education. And that is exactly how they view it.

I also want to add in my perspective as an immune compromised person, as several of them have spoken in hearings in favor of this bill. I do not want even one single baby or child to have a serious vaccine reaction or die to save my life. I do not view other human beings as sacrifices, and I do not as an immune compromised person agree with or support a mentality that does, nor do any of the other immune compromised people that I know. I agree with the notion that "the needs of the many" healthy children "outweighs the needs of the few, or the one" immune compromised people. Requiring every child to risk serious injury from a pharmaceutical product to save a few individuals lives is not sound public health policy from a financial perspective either, in my opinion. Thank you.

Ava Adams

**From:** [Alisa Bailey](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#); [Sen Beyer](#); [Rep Nosse](#); [Sen Heard](#); [Sen Wagner](#); [Rep Hayden](#); [Rep Salinas](#); [Rep Schouten](#); [Rep Stark](#)  
**Subject:** HB3063  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 23, 2019 6:12:37 PM

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Please vote NO on HB 3063 to:

House Bill 3063 will remove ALL non-medical exemptions in Oregon related to schools, charter schools, daycare, and preschools.

This bill will be presented at tomorrow's public hearing (Wednesday April 24th at 8:30am) in Hearing Room F at the Capitol in Salem.

Thank you

Sent from my iPhone

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Sincerely,

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Outbreaks of vaccine-preventable diseases have been linked to communities of unvaccinated and under vaccinated individuals.

We urge you to support House Bill 3063. We are counting on your support to take the necessary action to protect the health and welfare of patients in our state.

Yours truly,

Alexandra Kiesling

Medical Student, Oregon Health & Science University

From: [Alex Konopka](#)  
To: [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
Date: Tuesday, April 23, 2019 8:33:41 PM

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Hello,

I am writing to express my serious concerns with HB3063. There is little scientific research and literature to support such a sweeping overreach into our constitutional rights as Americans. This is a very slippery slope when the the State attempts to insert themselves between the parent/child and physician. In all honesty, I am shocked that Oregon is pursuing this as the Oregon legislature has previously made clear, through law and case rulings, that Oregon is all about “my body, my choice”.

HB3063 will take away the option to claim a religious or philosophical exemption for vaccinations. 8% of the kids at The elementary school our oldest son attends currently have one of these. This is including Gabe, our oldest son. Gabe has received some vaccinations, but is not up to date on all of them. I believe this is the case for most of the students, as you only have to be missing one dose of a vaccine in order to need this exemption. The reason Gabe is not up to date is because of his serious autoimmune disease that he was diagnosed with at age 2. After 3 years of chemo, he is finally in remission and so his doctor and I are being very careful about which vaccines we do and when so we don't trigger a flare again. He is NOT eligible for a medical exemption. The only way to receive a medical exemption is through the Oregon Health Authority following the guidelines of the CDC which basically states that you need to experience anaphylaxis from a vaccine previously.

Again, since when does the State or a Governmental agency know what is best? That is the decision and plan of the family and the Physician - not the State, Pharma lobbyists, or career politicians.

The right for parents and their doctors to make informed decisions on what is best for their kids will be taken away if this bill passes. Kids who are not completely up to date will be kicked out of schools as of August 2020. The alternative given will be online schooling. These kids will not be able to attend school events, sports events, or any other public event where they will be in the same space as their peers. They will be in complete isolation, and I believe at risk for mental health issues as a result.

Please do not sell our liberty and parental rights to the State and Pharma. Our Country was built on Liberty and rest assured that folks will not take this overreach lying down. Many families will simply leave the state- leaving school funding in question as so many students will find other means in other places. Further, you can expect any YES ruling to be challenged in the courts immediately - as recent case studies have proven, this type of overreach will not stand.

Please vote NO on HB3063.  
For Oregon, For our Liberty, and what's Right.

Thank you for your time and attention,

Alex Konopka

**From:** [Alex](#)  
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**Subject:** Testimony - Vote No HB3063  
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Vote NO on HB3063. The bill is a violation of basic human rights and the US Constitution and it should be thrown out, not amended.

Denying the right of traditional education to healthy, unvaccinated children is discrimination. They have committed no crime. They may never have contact with any of these diseases in their lifetime or "spread" anything at all. Kids who have had the disease cells introduced to their bodies via vaccines and may shed them are far more likely to spread these diseases than a child who has never come in contact with it.

The US Constitution's 14th Amendment prohibits states from depriving a person of liberty without due process of law. A woman has the right to end a pregnancy without undue interference from the government because that right to liberty includes (1) the right to make decisions about family and (2) the right to bodily integrity. Protect this liberty now and vote NO on HB3063.

And enforcing homeschool as the only option for education is segregation, especially when kids are not allowed on campuses or in activities with other children. Sequestering unvaccinated children denies them social integration and skills I don't want to leave Oregon but this bill would force us to and would deny our kids the dream of attending the best private school in the state, the main reason we moved here in the first place.

Thank you for listening,

Alexandra L'Allier  
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Alice Amelia Rear

**Medical Student, Oregon Health & Science University**

**From:** [Alicia Schmidt](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** HB 3063  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 23, 2019 9:04:00 PM

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Hi there. I am a mental health therapist working for a large FQHC in Southern Oregon. You are the constituent who represents my family and my community. I am shocked and appalled at the extreme nature of HB 3063. The measles outbreak is serious and many of us who have been on an alternative vaccine schedule (based on intelligent research and deep contemplation) are doing our part to immunize and keep the herd safe. We are also consciously aware of the risks associated with some and the absolute unnecessary mandates of others, not to mention the undue process to which this proposed bill has made its way to the ways and means committee. This is not the people's vote. This is extreme, aggressive and unsafe in nature. Please represent us as you know us. We voted you in for moments like this.

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>> Sincerely,

>> Alicia Schmidt

>> MSW, LCSW

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**From:** [Alicia T.](#)  
**To:** [Alicia Bryan](#)  
**Cc:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** OPPOSE HB 3063  
**Date:** Monday, April 22, 2019 2:05:57 PM

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As very concerned citizen, tax payer, business owner and Mother, I OPPOSE HB 3063. Coercing parents to vaccinate their children with untested drugs in order to enter public spaces is NOT the Oregonian Way. Please concentrate on the true emergencies of Oregon like the FOSTER system, education and PERS crisis. Do not let our great state go down the tubes. Please OPPOSE HB 3063.

Alicia Turner,

**From:** [Alicia M. Yelvington](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** Vaccinations  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 23, 2019 11:42:42 PM

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Hello,

I believe that every parent has the right to decide whether or not they should allow vaccinations to be injected into their children without repercussions either way. This does not remove any rights, only allows parents and their children to continue with their God-given, sovereign freedoms.

Thank you,  
Alicia Yelvington

**From:** [Andrew Simmons](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** public testimony re: HB3063  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 23, 2019 7:10:39 PM

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Dear esteemed committee members,

My name is Andrew Simmons and I live in Talent, Oregon. I am writing to you today as a father of a toddler, to ask you to vote NO on HB3063 and all amendments.

My wife and I have educated ourselves well on the benefits and risks of each vaccine offered. We've evaluated our child's personal risks of exposure as well as protective factors. It is our right and duty to make medical choices that are in the best interest of our child's safety and wellness. If we choose to exempt our child from one or several vaccines that we do not believe have adequately been proven safe, it is inappropriate for the state to hold public education hostage, particularly considering that some of the 31 required vaccines are for non-communicable diseases.

Additionally, I am concerned for the impact this bill will have on rural schools in our area and alternative charter schools, which I would be interested in my toddler attending in a few years. Currently there are 31,521 students whom this bill would impact. What about families like mine with young children not yet school-aged? What about all of the hundreds of thousands of children this bill will impact in Oregon over the next several years? Access to public education is a foundation for a healthy democracy should be protected!

Enacting mandatory vaccination is extreme government overreach and a violation of individual rights. Please protect philosophical and religious exemptions, medical informed choice and the right of informed parents to make the best choices for their children.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Andrew Simmons

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**From:** [Angela Greufe](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** No on HB 3063  
**Date:** Thursday, April 25, 2019 8:25:17 PM

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I asked you to vote no on HB 3063. After witnessing several children in my immediate family have adverse reactions to vaccinations, I decided not to vaccinate my children. I should have the right as a parent to make this decision for my children. Any and all medical treatments have some side effects and I should be able as a parent to decide if the risks outweigh the benefit. It is me, my husband and my child that would have to live with the ramifications of a vaccine injury therefore, it should be our decision without pressure from the government or loss of services whether or not to vaccinate. If this passes, we will likely home school and even look to move to other states that don't force arbitrary vaccinations. I cannot stress to you enough what a negative impact this will have on people like myself just trying to do what we feel is right for our children. Thank you for your time.

Angela Greufe

My name is Angela Hermes. I am a mother and an Oregon licensed Registered Dietitian Nutritionist. I have a private practice in Beaverton where I specialize in working with people who suffer from chronic inflammatory conditions.

I am extremely concerned about HB 3063, which would remove a parent's right to exempt their child from vaccinations in the state of Oregon. Some of my patients follow alternative vaccination schedules due to their illnesses. The reasons for this are as varied as each individual. Some vaccines are contraindicated for particular diagnosed conditions. Some of my patients are so ill that even though they want to vaccinate they cannot at this time because vaccinating while ill can actually weaken the person's immune system even more.

The primary reason that my patients choose to decline one or more vaccines is because many of them have particular food and/or chemical allergies and/or sensitivities. What many people do not realize is that vaccines don't just contain the actual vaccine. They also contain a slew of ingredients which may cause a variety of negative reactions for someone with an autoimmune condition. These symptoms can range from headaches to gastrointestinal problems to aches and pains and even anaphylactic shock. I have attached the CDC vaccine ingredient list so that you can see how many ingredients are actually in each individual vaccine.

While I am generally in favor of vaccinations and feel that overall they have been a huge benefit to public health in our society, I understand that some folks need to follow an alternative vaccine schedule based on their own individual health concerns. Many of the reasons that my patients choose to decline some vaccinations would not qualify them for a medical exemption in Oregon. I urge you to oppose HB 3063. It is dangerous for Oregonians. Medical decisions should be made by individuals and their doctors- not by politicians.

Thank you for your time and energy.

Sincerely,

Angela Hermes, RDN, LD, CLT

# Vaccine Excipient & Media Summary

## Excipients Included in U.S. Vaccines, by Vaccine

In addition to weakened or killed disease antigens (viruses or bacteria), vaccines contain very small amounts of other ingredients – excipients or media.

Some excipients are added to a vaccine for a specific purpose. These include:

**Preservatives**, to prevent contamination. For example, thimerosal.

**Adjuvants**, to help stimulate a stronger immune response. For example, aluminum salts.

**Stabilizers**, to keep the vaccine potent during transportation and storage. For example, sugars or gelatin.

Others are residual trace amounts of materials that were used during the manufacturing process and removed. These include:

**Cell culture materials**, used to grow the vaccine antigens. For example, egg protein, various culture media.

**Inactivating ingredients**, used to kill viruses or inactivate toxins. For example, formaldehyde.

**Antibiotics**, used to prevent contamination by bacteria. For example, neomycin.

The following table lists all components, other than antigens, shown in the manufacturers' package insert (PI) for each vaccine. Each of these PIs, which can be found on the FDA's website (see below) contains a description of that vaccine's manufacturing process, including the amount and purpose of each substance. In most PIs, this information is found in Section 11: "Description."

**All information was extracted from manufacturers' package inserts.**

If in doubt about whether a PI has been updated since this table was prepared, check the FDA's website at:

<http://www.fda.gov/BiologicsBloodVaccines/Vaccines/ApprovedProducts/ucm093833.htm>

Vaccine	Contains
Adenovirus	human-diploid fibroblast cell cultures (strain WI-38), Dulbecco's Modified Eagle's Medium, fetal bovine serum, sodium bicarbonate, monosodium glutamate, sucrose, D-mannose, D-fructose, dextrose, human serum albumin, potassium phosphate, pladone C, anhydrous lactose, microcrystalline cellulose, polyacrylamide potassium, magnesium stearate, cellulose acetate phthalate, alcohol, acetone, castor oil, FD&C Yellow #6 aluminum lake dye
Anthrax (Biothrax)	amino acids, vitamins, inorganic salts, sugars, aluminum hydroxide, sodium chloride, benzethonium chloride, formaldehyde
BCG (Tice)	glycerin, asparagine, citric acid, potassium phosphate, magnesium sulfate, iron ammonium citrate, lactose
Cholera (Vaxchora)	casamino acids, yeast extract, mineral salts, anti-foaming agent, ascorbic acid, hydrolyzed casein, sodium chloride, sucrose, dried lactose, sodium bicarbonate, sodium carbonate
DT (Sanofi)	aluminum phosphate, isotonic sodium chloride, formaldehyde, casein, cystine, maltose, uracil, inorganic salts, vitamins, dextrose
DTaP (Daptacel)	aluminum phosphate, formaldehyde, glutaraldehyde, 2-phenoxyethanol, Stainer-Scholte medium, casamino acids, dimethyl-beta-cyclodextrin, Mueller's growth medium, ammonium sulfate, modified Mueller-Miller casamino acid medium without beef heart infusion
DTaP (Infanrix)	Fenton medium containing a bovine extract, modified Latham medium derived from bovine casein, formaldehyde, modified Stainer-Scholte liquid medium, glutaraldehyde, aluminum hydroxide, sodium chloride, polysorbate 80 (Tween 80)
DTaP-IPV (Kinrix)	Fenton medium containing a bovine extract, modified Latham medium derived from bovine casein, formaldehyde, modified Stainer-Scholte liquid medium, glutaraldehyde, aluminum hydroxide, VERO cells, a continuous line of monkey kidney cells, Calf serum, lactalbumin hydrolysate, sodium chloride, polysorbate 80 (Tween 80), neomycin sulfate, polymyxin B
DTaP-IPV (Quadracel)	modified Mueller's growth medium, ammonium sulfate, modified Mueller-Miller casamino acid medium without beef heart infusion, formaldehyde, aluminum phosphate, Stainer-Scholte medium, casamino acids, dimethyl-beta-cyclodextrin, MRC-5 cells, normal human diploid cells, CMRL 1969 medium supplemented with calf serum, Medium 199 without calf serum, 2-phenoxyethanol, polysorbate 80, glutaraldehyde, neomycin, polymyxin B sulfate

Vaccine	Contains
DTaP-HepB-IPV (Pediatrix)	Fenton medium containing a bovine extract, modified Latham medium derived from bovine casein, formaldehyde, glutaraldehyde, modified Stainer-Scholte liquid medium, VERO cells, a continuous line of monkey kidney cells, calf serum and lactalbumin hydrolysate, aluminum hydroxide, aluminum phosphate, aluminum salts, sodium chloride, polysorbate 80 (Tween 80), neomycin sulfate, polymyxin B, yeast protein.
DTaP-IPV/Hib (Pentacel)	aluminum phosphate, polysorbate 80, sucrose, formaldehyde, glutaraldehyde, bovine serum albumin, 2-phenoxyethanol, neomycin, polymyxin B sulfate, modified Mueller's growth medium, ammonium sulfate, modified Mueller-Miller casamino acid medium without beef heart infusion, Stainer-Scholte medium, casamino acids, dimethyl-beta-cyclodextrin. MRC-5 cells (a line of normal human diploid cells), CMRL 1969 medium supplemented with calf serum, Medium 199 without calf serum, modified Mueller and Miller medium
Hib (ActHIB)	sodium chloride, modified Mueller and Miller medium (the culture medium contains milk-derived raw materials [casein derivatives]), formaldehyde, sucrose
Hib (Hiberix)	saline, synthetic medium, formaldehyde, sodium chloride, lactose
Hib (PedvaxHIB)	complex fermentation media, amorphous aluminum hydroxyphosphate sulfate, sodium chloride
Hep A (Havrix)	MRC-5 human diploid cells, formalin, aluminum hydroxide, amino acid supplement, phosphate-buffered saline solution, polysorbate 20, neomycin sulfate, aminoglycoside antibiotic
Hep A (Vaqta)	MRC-5 diploid fibroblasts, amorphous aluminum hydroxyphosphate sulfate, non-viral protein, DNA, bovine albumin, formaldehyde, neomycin, sodium borate, sodium chloride
Hep B (Engerix-B)	aluminum hydroxide, yeast protein, sodium chloride, disodium phosphate dihydrate, sodium dihydrogen phosphate dihydrate
Hep B (Recombivax)	soy peptone, dextrose, amino acids, mineral salts, phosphate buffer, formaldehyde, potassium aluminum sulfate, amorphous aluminum hydroxyphosphate sulfate, yeast protein
Hep B (Hepelisav-B)	vitamins and mineral salts, yeast protein, yeast DNA, deoxycholate, phosphorothioate linked oligodeoxynucleotide, phosphate buffered saline, sodium phosphate, dibasic dodecahydrate, monobasic dehydrate, polysorbate 80
Hep A/Hep B (Twinrix)	MRC-5 human diploid cells, formalin, aluminum phosphate, aluminum hydroxide, amino acids, sodium chloride, phosphate buffer, polysorbate 20, neomycin sulfate, yeast protein
Human Papillomavirus (HPV) (Gardasil 9)	vitamins, amino acids, mineral salts, carbohydrates, amorphous aluminum hydroxyphosphate sulfate, sodium chloride, L-histidine, polysorbate 80, sodium borate, yeast protein
Influenza (Afluria) Trivalent & Quadrivalent	sodium chloride, monobasic sodium phosphate, dibasic sodium phosphate, monobasic potassium phosphate, potassium chloride, calcium chloride, sodium taurodeoxycholate, ovalbumin, sucrose, neomycin sulfate, polymyxin B, beta-propiolactone, thimerosal (multi-dose vials)
Influenza (Fluad)	squalene, polysorbate 80, sorbitan trioleate, sodium citrate dehydrate, citric acid monohydrate, neomycin, kanamycin, barium, egg proteins, cetyltrimethylammonium bromide (CTAB), formaldehyde
Influenza (Fluarix) Trivalent & Quadrivalent	octoxynol-10 (TRITON X-100), $\alpha$ -tocopheryl hydrogen succinate, polysorbate 80 (Tween 80), hydrocortisone, gentamicin sulfate, ovalbumin, formaldehyde, sodium deoxycholate, sodium phosphate-buffered isotonic sodium chloride
Influenza (Flublok) Trivalent & Quadrivalent	sodium chloride, monobasic sodium phosphate, dibasic sodium phosphate, polysorbate 20 (Tween 20), baculovirus and <i>Spodoptera frugiperda</i> cell proteins, baculovirus and cellular DNA, Triton X-100, lipids, vitamins, amino acids, mineral salts
Influenza (Flucelvax) Trivalent & Quadrivalent	Madin Darby Canine Kidney (MDCK) cell protein, protein other than HA, MDCK cell DNA, polysorbate 80, cetyltrimethylammonium bromide, and $\beta$ -propiolactone
Influenza (Flulaval) Trivalent & Quadrivalent	ovalbumin, formaldehyde, sodium deoxycholate, $\alpha$ -tocopheryl hydrogen succinate, polysorbate 80, thimerosal (multi-dose vials)
Influenza (Fluvirin)	ovalbumin, polymyxin, neomycin, betapropiolactone, nonylphenol ethoxylate, thimerosal
Influenza (Fluzone) Quadrivalent	formaldehyde, egg protein, octylphenol ethoxylate (Triton X-100), sodium phosphate-buffered isotonic sodium chloride solution, thimerosal (multi-dose vials), sucrose

<b>Vaccine</b>	<b>Contains</b>
Influenza (Fluzone) High Dose	egg protein, octylphenol ethoxylate (Triton X-100), sodium phosphate-buffered isotonic sodium chloride solution, formaldehyde, sucrose
Influenza (Fluzone) Intradermal	formaldehyde, egg protein, octylphenol ethoxylate (Triton X-100), sodium phosphate-buffered isotonic sodium chloride solution, sucrose
Influenza (FluMist) Quadrivalent	monosodium glutamate, hydrolyzed porcine gelatin, arginine, sucrose, dibasic potassium phosphate, monobasic potassium phosphate, ovalbumin, gentamicin sulfate, ethylenediaminetetraacetic acid (EDTA)
Japanese Encephalitis (Ixiaro)	aluminum hydroxide, protamine sulfate, formaldehyde, bovine serum albumin, host cell DNA, sodium metabisulphite, host cell protein
Meningococcal (MenACWY-Menactra)	Watson Scherp media containing casamino acid, modified culture medium containing hydrolyzed casein, ammonium sulfate, sodium phosphate, formaldehyde, sodium chloride
Meningococcal (MenACWY-Menveo)	formaldehyde, amino acids, yeast extract, Franz complete medium, CY medium
Meningococcal (MenB – Bexsero)	aluminum hydroxide, <i>E. coli</i> , histidine, sucrose, deoxycholate, kanamycin
Meningococcal (MenB – Trumenba)	defined fermentation growth media, polysorbate 80, aluminum phosphate, histidine buffered saline
MMR (MMR-II)	chick embryo cell culture, WI-38 human diploid lung fibroblasts, vitamins, amino acids, fetal bovine serum, sucrose, glutamate, recombinant human albumin, neomycin, sorbitol, hydrolyzed gelatin, sodium phosphate, sodium chloride
MMRV (ProQuad) (Frozen)	chick embryo cell culture, WI-38 human diploid lung fibroblasts, MRC-5 cells, sucrose, hydrolyzed gelatin, sodium chloride, sorbitol, monosodium L-glutamate, sodium phosphate dibasic, human albumin, sodium bicarbonate, potassium phosphate monobasic, potassium chloride; potassium phosphate dibasic, neomycin, bovine calf serum
MMRV (ProQuad) (Refrigerator Stable)	chick embryo cell culture, WI-38 human diploid lung fibroblasts, MRC-5 cells, sucrose, hydrolyzed gelatin, urea, sodium chloride, sorbitol, monosodium L-glutamate, sodium phosphate, recombinant human albumin, sodium bicarbonate, potassium phosphate, potassium chloride, neomycin, bovine serum albumin
Pneumococcal (PCV13 – Prevnar 13)	soy peptone broth, casamino acids and yeast extract-based medium, CRM197 carrier protein, polysorbate 80, succinate buffer, aluminum phosphate
Pneumococcal (PPSV-23 – Pneumovax)	phenol
Polio (IPV – Ipol)	Eagle MEM modified medium, calf bovine serum, M-199 without calf bovine serum, vero cells (a continuous line of monkey kidney cells), phenoxyethanol, formaldehyde, neomycin, streptomycin, polymyxin B
Rabies (Imovax)	human albumin, neomycin sulfate, phenol red indicator, MRC-5 human diploid cells, beta-propiolactone
Rabies (RabAvert)	chicken fibroblasts, β-propiolactone, polygeline (processed bovine gelatin), human serum albumin, bovine serum, potassium glutamate, sodium EDTA, ovalbumin, neomycin, chlortetracycline, amphotericin B
Rotavirus (RotaTeq)	sucrose, sodium citrate, sodium phosphate monobasic monohydrate, sodium hydroxide, polysorbate 80, cell culture media, fetal bovine serum, vero cells [ <i>DNA from porcine circoviruses (PCV) 1 and 2 has been detected in RotaTeq. PCV-1 and PCV-2 are not known to cause disease in humans.</i> ]
Rotavirus (Rotarix)	Vero cells, dextran, Dulbecco's Modified Eagle Medium (sodium chloride, potassium chloride, magnesium sulfate, ferric (III) nitrate, sodium phosphate, sodium pyruvate, D-glucose, concentrated vitamin solution, L-cystine, L-tyrosine, amino acids solution, L-glutamine, calcium chloride, sodium hydrogenocarbonate, and phenol red), sorbitol, sucrose, calcium carbonate, sterile water, xanthan [ <i>Porcine circovirus type 1 (PCV-1) is present in Rotarix. PCV-1 is not known to cause disease in humans.</i> ]
Smallpox (Vaccinia) (ACAM2000)	African Green Monkey kidney (Vero) cells, HEPES, 2% human serum albumin, 0.7% sodium chloride USP, 5% Mannitol USP, neomycin, polymyxin B, 50% Glycerin USP, 0.25% phenol USP

<b>Vaccine</b>	<b>Contains</b>
Td (Tenivac)	aluminum phosphate, formaldehyde, modified Mueller-Miller casamino acid medium without beef heart infusion, ammonium sulfate, sodium chloride, water
Td (Mass Biologics)	aluminum phosphate, formaldehyde, thimerosal, modified Mueller's media which contains bovine extracts, ammonium sulfate
Tdap (Adacel)	aluminum phosphate, formaldehyde, 2-phenoxyethanol, Stainer-Scholte medium, casamino acids, dimethyl-beta-cyclodextrin, glutaraldehyde, modified Mueller-Miller casamino acid medium without beef heart infusion, ammonium sulfate, modified Mueller's growth medium
Tdap (Boostrix)	modified Latham medium derived from bovine casein, Fenton medium containing a bovine extract, formaldehyde, modified Stainer-Scholte liquid medium, glutaraldehyde, aluminum hydroxide, sodium chloride, polysorbate 80
Typhoid (Typhim Vi)	hexadecyltrimethylammonium bromide, formaldehyde, phenol, polydimethylsiloxane, disodium phosphate, monosodium phosphate, semi-synthetic medium, sodium chloride
Typhoid (Vivotif Ty21a)	yeast extract, casein, dextrose, galactose, sucrose, ascorbic acid, amino acids, lactose, magnesium stearate, gelatin
Varicella (Varivax) <i>Frozen</i>	MRC-5 human diploid cells, including DNA & protein, sucrose, hydrolyzed gelatin, sodium chloride, monosodium L-glutamate, sodium phosphate dibasic, sodium phosphate monobasic, potassium phosphate monobasic, potassium chloride, EDTA, neomycin, fetal bovine serum
Varicella (Varivax) <i>Refrigerator Stable</i>	MRC-5 human diploid cells, including DNA & protein, sucrose, hydrolyzed gelatin, sodium chloride, monosodium L-glutamate, urea, sodium phosphate dibasic, potassium phosphate monobasic, potassium chloride, neomycin, bovine calf serum
Yellow Fever (YF-Vax)	sorbitol, gelatin, sodium chloride, egg protein
Zoster (Shingles) (Zostavax) <i>Frozen</i>	MRC-5 human diploid cells, including DNA & protein, sucrose, hydrolyzed porcine gelatin, sodium chloride, monosodium L-glutamate, sodium phosphate dibasic, potassium phosphate monobasic, potassium chloride; neomycin, bovine calf serum
Zoster (Shingles) (Zostavax) <i>Refrigerator Stable</i>	MRC-5 human diploid cells, including DNA & protein, sucrose, hydrolyzed porcine gelatin, urea, sodium chloride, monosodium L-glutamate, sodium phosphate dibasic, potassium phosphate monobasic, potassium chloride, neomycin, bovine calf serum
Zoster (Shingles) (Shingrix)	sucrose, sodium chloride, dioleoyl phosphatidylcholine (DOPC), potassium dihydrogen phosphate, cholesterol, sodium dihydrogen phosphate dihydrate, disodium phosphate anhydrous, dipotassium phosphate, polysorbate 80

A table listing vaccine excipients and media *by excipient* can be found in:

Grabenstein JD. *ImmunoFacts: Vaccines and Immunologic Drugs* – 2013 (38<sup>th</sup> revision). St Louis, MO: Wolters Kluwer Health, 2012.

Dear Legislature,

I'm strongly urging you to vote NO on HB3063. If this irresponsible and overreaching bill is passed, it will have terrible consequences for our state and our children.

1. We, along with many other families we know, will pull our children out of school, close our businesses down, and move out of state. The financial impact on Oregon will be devastating.
2. The children who have no choice but to stay and homeschool, will be subject to undeserved discrimination and segregation of the worst kind. I am greatly concerned for their mental and emotional health. I can't imagine these poor kids not being able to participate in any enriching, extra curricular activities, because the State has decided that healthy children are a threat to society. No sports, no choir, no co-ops, no friends. How is this a fantastic education? It's not! It's a perfect setup for isolation and depression.

In short, this bill is immoral, and absolutely devastating to families. Add to that the major economic loss we will experience, and you have a disaster waiting to happen. Please vote NO on SB3063, and protect our children and state from medical tyranny.

Thank you,  
Angela Ridgway

**From:** [ANN M.HOOKIE](#)  
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**Subject:** Oppose HB 3063  
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I oppose HB3063. DO NOT PASS

Ann Hookie 97224

**From:** [Anna Lee](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** HB3063  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 23, 2019 8:54:49 PM

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I am a concerned mother from Linn county and I'm writing to say that I strongly oppose HB3063.

I am the mother of one child who is fully vaccinated with all of the recommended vaccines except for one. My child has also been vaccinated for MMR (measles.)

When my child was still an infant, I began researching vaccines because I wanted to do what was best as a parent and also because I find medicine and medical advances fascinating. Vaccines have saved many lives and our world is a better place because of the use of vaccines.

Another reason I began researching vaccines is because my child and I have a gene mutation that causes our bodies to not be able to detox as well as the average person. I take precautions with our diet and environmental toxins because of this gene mutation. I also chose to take precautions with vaccines by opting for a slower vaccine schedule for my child. I remember at the time, I was so thankful that we lived in Oregon, where a slower schedule was permitted.

Everyone has their own circumstances and reasons why they choose to vaccinate, not vaccinate or delay vaccines for their child. HB3063 does not give adequate flexibility for the many different circumstances that exist. I believe it will be difficult to receive a medical exemption in Oregon and that will impose on many circumstances and medical conditions that should be taken into account. HB3063 will also greatly affect people like me, who are not necessarily opposed to vaccines but want the freedom of a slower vaccine schedule.

I appreciate you taking the time to read my perspective and concern.

Anna Lee

[Sent from Yahoo Mail on Android](#)

Dear Senators and Representatives on the Joint Ways and Means Sub-Committee,  
Please register my strong opposition to HB3063. This bill is unconstitutional and unnecessary. The current system of Personal Belief Exemptions should be left in place; there is no measles crisis in Oregon that warrants undermining parental and civil rights to the extent laid out by HB3063. This bill is gross government overreach with extensive unexamined fiscal consequences.

The fiscal impact memo attached to this bill does not account for the effects this bill would have on school funding at the individual school level. It fails to address the loss of income and tax revenue for parents forced into homeschooling. It says nothing about the mental health costs that will ensue from this large group of students being separated from their peers and support networks at school. It ignores the astronomical costs of lawsuits that will ensue from the state's failure to accommodate students on IEPs. The cost of IEP services, if no longer satisfied in the school setting, would need to be accommodated via alternative state funds. The bill fails to take into consideration the number of families that would increasingly draw on state services as their household income decreases due to homeschooling demands.

I am very curious as to who would be responsible for the daily enforcement of this bill (technically and fiscally) – who would track (and pay for the tracking of) the social space mobilities of exempted children in their daily lives, especially during non-school months. Or does the bill only apply to the school year?

The amendments introduced by Senator Steiner-Hayward on Monday April 22<sup>nd</sup> make a bad will worse and I heed you to please reject these amendments. You're asking parents to "chose" between their children's health and their right to an education. We will choose health and freedom – do then NOT try to additionally mandate tracking of homeschooled children if we've already lost our right to an education! This state overreach has gone too far. Work to repeal the 1986 National Childhood Vaccine Injury Act (NCVIA) so that true light can be shed on the state of vaccine safety. Until then mandates have no place in Oregon. Medical decisions need to be between a doctor and his/her patients, not in the hands of the state. HB3063 undermines parental rights and gives OHA all too free reigns in deciding what's best for Oregon.

To hold education hostage to a medical procedure with known risks, a medical procedure where the product involved is void of liability, is simply unethical. Please protect medical freedom in Oregon and vote no on HB3063. Where there is risk there must be choice.

Sincerely, Anna-Minna P. Sherwood, Eugene

Anton L. Alder, ND

April 22, 2019

In opposition to HB 3063 – Removing philosophical and religious vaccine exemptions

Esteemed Members of the Joint Committee on Ways and Means Subcommittee on Human Services,

As a physician I take my oath to “First, do no harm” seriously. I must always consider that my action or inaction may be more harmful than the alternative. HB 3063 has drawn a lot of conflict because it pits the individual against the community. For those few who have experienced first-hand the adverse effects of vaccinations, this debate is even more excruciating. While its tempting to fully elaborate on all the reasons I am opposed to HB 3063, I acknowledge that time is limited for those examining the testimonies and deciding on these issues. I wish only to list a few reasons I am opposed to HB 3063 followed by what changes I could support and feel may be more effective at protecting Oregonians.

1. Informed consent and freedom to act on that consent must always be granted to any medical procedure that carries risk. When patients trust healthcare practitioners to educate them, they are more likely to make the appropriate choices, especially when given in context of helping others.
2. Immunocompromised schoolchildren are already at risk and HB 3063 cannot completely solve that. While its true that the immunocompromised are particularly susceptible to restrictable diseases listed in HB 3063, they are also susceptible to many non-restrictable infections for which there are no vaccines available. These too can be fatal under circumstances of immunodeficiency. In addition, schools are not the only places that the immunocompromised can be exposed to restrictable and other possibly fatal diseases, and most of those locations are so heavily frequented that they may never know they were exposed until it is too late.
3. This bill may require expedited catch up schedules that have no studies demonstrating their safety or efficacy putting children at unnecessary risk.
4. Medical exemptions as defined by ACIP guidelines and as enforced by the public health department removes patient care from the patient. Physicians are unable to use their best clinical judgement and common sense if it doesn't fall in line with the ACIP guidelines. How can patients trust their healthcare practitioners to do the right thing if it isn't even in their hands?
5. The majority of outbreaks are being triggered by international travelers who have no requirement to be vaccinated prior to visiting the United States. This needed change lies outside of Oregon legislation.
6. Due to vaccine failure rates we cannot always assume that the immunized are not at risk of receiving or transmitting the disease for which they are immunized. Such was the case in New York City in 2011, documented in scientific literature here: <https://doi.org/10.1093/cid/ciu105>.
7. Vaccine adverse reaction reporting is well known to be severely under-documented. Long term implications such as any contribution toward chronic diseases has not been adequately researched.
8. The eradication of any species whether it be mammal, virus, or otherwise has larger ecological effects than generally understood. While it would be nice to eradicate all disease causing agents, in reality this may have far reaching effects we do not yet understand. Bacteria, viruses and many other disease causing agents are essentially ubiquitous. What we are learning from

antibiotic resistance is that often what fills the gap after elimination of one agent is resistant to the techniques used to remove the first.

While those who authored HB 3063 undoubtedly had good intentions, I predict that if this bill passes it will not only prove ineffective at decreasing community susceptibility, but it will most certainly decrease liberty and trust in healthcare practitioners. I cannot in good conscience support HB 3063, but I believe there needs to be changes that further protect Oregonians.

As any refusal of vaccines can negatively impact community susceptibility it remains a medical decision that should be discussed with a healthcare professional whose scope of practice includes the administration of immunizations. Any exemption, whether it is medical, philosophical or religious should be signed in the presence of a healthcare professional who has taken the time to educate the patient and/or legal guardian on benefits, risks, and further discussed for any hesitations. Whenever those hesitations are due to concerns for medical risk, the practitioner should confirm whether these hesitations are included in ACIP guidelines for temporary or permanent exemption. Should the hesitation not be included in ACIP guidelines but the provider is aware of circumstances that in their best judgement may warrant further caution, then a contract for temporary exemption with the patient and/or legal guardian should be initiated in which the provider and patient or legal guardian agree to work together to overcome the obstacles. Such contract should include a timeline by which point the intent should be receiving the appropriate vaccination. The number of contracts being issued by any provider should be reported to OHA regularly and should it be found that any provider is inappropriately issuing temporary exemptions should be investigated to ascertain whether adequate documentation exists. Further investigation may be initiated by the respective board to determine whether the rationale behind the contracts is clinically appropriate or whether action against the provider is necessary. Providers should not be allowed to not accept patients or dismiss them based on their vaccination status alone. If we cut off access to healthcare than we guarantee harm. This is not in anyone's best interest.

Other efforts might include: Changing immunization requirements for travelers coming into the US. Travelers to the United States whether citizens or otherwise should document that they are either immunized and/or not currently infectious before coming to the United States. This is particularly important when traveling to and from areas of active outbreaks. We should continue to push for better and safer vaccinations, making those manufacturers more accountable for their products. Education efforts should be expanded for patients and providers alike to improve the flow of communication and science regarding immunizations.

I am not opposed to immunizations. I have concerns about how we are currently providing them, but even this does not put me in opposition of HB 3063. I oppose HB 3063 because it is unlikely to have the outcomes intended by the authors. I oppose HB 3063 because I believe in informed consent. I oppose HB 3063 because it will decrease liberty, trust, and in some instances cause harm. I oppose HB 3063 because I uphold my oath to "First, do no harm" for every individual and refuse to accept that possibly harming a few for the possible good of the many is acceptable. We can do better, and I hope that you will choose to do better by opposing HB 3063.

Sincerely,  
Anton L Alder, ND

April 24, 2019

Joint Committee on Ways and Means Subcommittee on Human Services  
Oregon 2019 Legislative Session

**Subject: AOC Testimony on HB 3063**

Dear Co-Chairs Beyer & Nosse and Members of the Subcommittee,

**AOC supports HB 3063.**

HB 3063 will eliminate the non-medical exemption from Oregon's school immunization law. The bill will preserve the relationship between the medical provider and the patient to receive an exemption.

In Oregon, 7.5% of children in kindergarten are unvaccinated or not fully vaccinated. Oregon has pockets of severely under-vaccinated communities. There are schools with 28%-30% vaccination rates in Josephine, Jackson and Multnomah Counties. This reality creates dangerous entry points for contagious, vaccine-preventable diseases like the measles. Individuals who exempt their children from vaccinations for non-medical reasons place other children at risk of catching and spreading preventable diseases and put our community immunity at risk. When the threshold of immunity gets too low, all of us become more vulnerable to diseases.

Serious diseases that were previously thought to be eradicated in the US, such as the measles and polio, are returning. HB 3063 will protect those who are especially vulnerable, such as individuals with compromised immune systems, infants and those suffering from other medical conditions.

Just across the Oregon border, in Clark County Washington, the recent outbreak of measles has had both a human and an economic impact. There have been 73 confirmed cases since January 1, 2019. The economic cost to Clark County has been over \$1.6 million and numerous families, schools and businesses have been impacted. It is important to note that when California passed a similar law, kids didn't go underground or leave the state, they got vaccinated. For example, in the Orange County school district, the number of students was unchanged before and after the law went into effect. The impact to schools was minimal; 2015-2016 Orange County enrollment was 42,007; 2016-2017 enrollment was 42,389.

Vaccines save lives. The more we vaccinate our children, the closer we get to a herd immunity target of a 95% vaccination rate. HB 3063 does not take away a parent's right to make decisions about their child's healthcare. It only requires that children be vaccinated in order to attend school to protect the health of other students, teachers, staff and our community. If HB 3063 passes, Oregon would be the fourth state to provide only a medical exemption to required vaccines.

Sincerely,



Andy Smith  
Policy Manager, Association of Oregon Counties

**From:** [April balfour](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** Against HB 3063  
**Date:** Monday, April 22, 2019 11:41:35 PM

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We are begging you not to let the HB 3063 pass. Our entire family will have to move from the country we love if we are forced to vaccinate. There are many of us that have been vaccine injured including myself. My granddaughter Emma could not walk for a month after the MMR. I also have a grandson, Tanner who has autism, a very normal baby that lost connection with us after his vaccines. Our grandson Parker who has seizures because of vaccines. My mom who got Bells Palsy after the shingles vaccine and myself 20 yrs ago got a hepatitis vaccine because I was taking a phlebotomy class and I couldn't continue because my throat was swollen for over a month, the pain was horrible. We want safe vaccines. From what we understand vaccines have not been properly tested and the doses have increased from 3 doses when I was a child to 72 doses for children today. It concerns us because of the amount of sick people we have in our country. Vaccines have toxic material in them and for our children to have 72 doses doesn't seem safe to us. If you were born before 1983 you only received 3 doses, now it's 72 doses. It seems like we should be questioning why so many. I do know that in 1986 president Regan passed a law that gave immunity to vaccine manufacturers so they could no longer be sued for injuries or death caused by their products. Once that law passed the doses increased. Thank you for taking the time to consider our request. Please don't let HB 3063 pass.

Sincerely, April Balfour and family

**From:** [lirpa brook](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** Oppose HB 3063  
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I am writing to urge, or even beg you to oppose HB 3063. The idea of having to have an injection in one's body against their will is truly terrifying. All bodies are not the same and some people have genetic factors or allergies that could make a vaccine more dangerous than the disease it is designed to protect against. Decisions like this should be left as a personal choice, not mandated by the government. This is a slippery slope, and I very much hope you vote no on HB 3063. I believe in freedom to choose what I put in my body. Don't you?

Thank you,  
April Delbrook

**From:** [April Filipenko](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** No on HB3063  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 23, 2019 4:17:54 AM

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Hello,

I am writing to tell you that I oppose HB 3063, the bill to end all non-medical vaccine exemptions for Oregon schoolchildren. I believe parents should retain their rights to refuse vaccinations without being coerced, and I believe all children should have access to an education regardless of vaccination status.

Only 2.7% of Oregon schoolchildren currently hold a philosophical or religious exemption, meaning that scientifically we already have high community immunity to disease. Therefore, there's no reason to take away parental rights to those using non-medical exemptions.

There are many reasons parents use those exemptions. Perhaps their child has had a reaction to a vaccination that doesn't qualify for a medical exemption, and so they choose to no longer use that specific vaccine, even if they use others. Perhaps they are using a spaced out, delayed, or reduced schedule. They may be a member of a religion, which is morally opposed to the use of vaccination. They should not be forced to choose between their religious convictions and public education they help fund through paying their taxes.

This is a topic full of a lot of emotion on both sides and I truly believe people on both sides of the argument want what's best for all children. This is a personal decision, a medical decision, that should not be dictated by the government. It is a parent's right to work with their doctor and evaluate what is best on an individual basis. What works for one child may not work for the next.

There is a lot of gray area that the exemptions allow while still keeping every child healthy and vaccination rates high.

I hope you will not support this bill along with me.

Thank you for reading,

April Filipenko

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** [giggles.real](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** Please Oppose HB3063  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 23, 2019 12:12:09 AM

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My name is April Groom, from Bend, Oregon.

Oppose HB3063.

The economic impacts of this this draconian, government over-reaching bill are huge! Parents will pull their children out of schools and homeschool and will not use the online option. Schools will lose money. Schools will lose communities. Parents will move out of Oregon! Also, many Oregonian parents who oppose this bill and who will homeschool do indeed run small businesses. With over 30,000 students this bill will affect, that's a lot of businesses! In Central Oregon alone there are hairdressers, plumbers, electricians, builders, realtors, restaurant owners, chiropractors, massage therapists, teachers, music teachers, physical therapists, naturopaths, and many, many, more who have chosen to exercise their medical freedom rights. They WILL close their businesses, reduce hours, or leave the state! They will not do the catch up schedule. These parents are educated and they have researched for years, doing the risk/benefit assessment for their family.

HB3063 takes away religious rights! This country was founded on religion freedom! My religion doesn't believe in abortion. My religion says to do no harm. There ARE aborted fetal tissues in vaccines! My religion is my own and my personal choice. It says NO to poisoning God's temple, my child's body with vaccines.

HB3063 takes away my philosophic objection for what goes into my child's body. It means the state owns our children. The state doesn't love my child, pay for him, own him, nor will it pay for him if vaccines cause him harm. This is the United States of America, a republic - NOT the United States of Pharma.

HB3063 takes away medical freedom!! It takes away the parent doctor relationship. What about the children with severe food allergies to the ingredients in vaccines? Yet you want to mandate a shot on them, knowing their pre-existing allergies and yet tie that medical choice to taking away an education? Is the government attempting murder? That's insane as no parent is going to inject their child with known allergens to ingredients. Eggs, casein, MSG, soy, GMO's, peanut oil, dyes, and chemicals are in vaccines. There are also dangerous adjuvants like aluminum and mercury in vaccines.

There is NO liability for vaccines if something goes wrong. Parents can't sue the vaccine makers.

There have never been ANY double-blind placebo testing - the gold standard of scientific studies - being done... ever! A vaccine is NOT tested like a pharmaceutical using this method of testing. Instead, they are tested using another vaccine with similar adjuvants.

Clinical trials are a joke for the MMR! Out of 102 children studies, 64 had upper respiratory illness and 43 had gastrointestinal illness! This is a joke! Oregon wants to mandate THIS?

Are you all bought by pharma? Seriously, please remember you work for the people of

Oregon.

The amendments, especially amendment 13 added to this bill are crazy! It limits where children can go in public. CHILDREN!!

No. This is a no. Oregonians don't want this over-reaching draconian bill. You can't coerce and force us into health. No!

I urge you to vote no on HB3063!

Thank you-  
April Groom  
Bend, OR

2/27/19

Committee Members,

I oppose HB3063.

My name is April Ray. I have lived in Seaside, Oregon for 15 years.

I will get right to the point since your time is valuable.

My daughter is vaccine injured. Because of vaccines she now has rheumatoid arthritis. We never thought she would be able to have a baby, but miraculously a year and a half ago, she had a little boy. The baby's doctor has advised against the baby having vaccines because the problem seems to be genetic since I also have problems with vaccines. We have talked to a number of doctors and they tell us that you cannot get a medical exemption in Oregon. You have had to almost die from a vaccine to get a medical exemption. So even though the doctors feel that Dutch should not have vaccines, we cannot get a medical exemption.

So if you take away the religious and philosophical exemptions, my daughter, along with many other women will have to quit their jobs and homeschool. In this letter I am focusing on medical reasons, but the religious and philosophical objections are also very valid. People who are against abortion do not want aborted fetal cells injected into their body—an ingredient that many vaccines contain.

I know the committee feels that having kids vaccinated protects the immunocompromised children who cannot get vaccinated. I do not feel this is a valid argument for these reasons:

First of all the "outbreak" in our area was started by a community where someone had recently been to the Ukraine. Also, schools are not the place for immunocompromised children. I won't get into details, but there is a child at my daughters' school who has a very infectious disease. His right to an education comes before the health and safety of other children. I was also a special education teacher and we were informed by the school nurse about many diseases that kids had. Many of those were highly contagious. Again the rights of those children to an education were protected. When my daughter went back to work we went to visit many childcare facilities. We were told by one of the daycare owners, that if they have a baby in daycare that has AIDs, the other parents are not told. This means that all the children there are at risk as it is hard to protect young children from bodily fluids.

I know that a lot of children get vaccines and they are fine. But I am allergic to sulfa drugs and if I took them I could die. However, they heal lots of people so every body is different and reacts in different ways to the same medicines. Just as drug warnings list side effects from the drugs, some people experience those side effects and others do not.

These parents who do not want to vaccinate are not trying to be difficult. They really believe that vaccines will injure their children. This is not a misconception as vaccines HAVE injured many children. Because companies that manufacture vaccines take no responsibility for injuries, the United States government has had to pay out a lot of money for these injuries.

In the last 10 years there have been no deaths from measles. There have been 108 deaths from the MMR vaccine.

Parents need to maintain the right to make these decisions for their children. Non-vaccinated children have the right to a free education in our country. As stated before we give rights for a free education to many children that have serious medical and emotional issues that could actually really endanger other students. Please don't take away the right of the parent to make this decision.

Thank you,

April Ray  
Seaside, Oregon

**From:** [Arkady Grudzinsky](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** Public testimony in opposition to HB3063  
**Date:** Monday, April 22, 2019 1:28:59 PM

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Dear members of the Joint Subcommittee on Human Services,

Amendment -49 states:

“SECTION 15. This 2019 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2019 Act takes effect on its passage.”

This is a gross overstatement using fear-mongering tactics to push a political agenda. There is NO emergency in Oregon. The existing law works very well! There are only 10 cases of measles in Oregon since the beginning of 2019. [[OHA](#)] K-12 immunization rates for all vaccines are above 90% in all counties. [[OHA K-12 measles immunization rates](#)] [[Oregon School Immunization Law Summary, 2018](#)]

If anything threatens public peace, health, and safety in Oregon, it's the HB3063 itself. It already causes huge distress to thousands of parents who have to take time off from work and be away from their families to oppose this bill. But this is nothing compared to the hardship HB3063 will impose on these families when their children, including children with disabilities currently receiving IEP services, will be expelled from schools and child care facilities, and the parents will have to quit their jobs to educate their children.

HB3063 will NOT improve immunization rates. People who fled religious persecution from other countries will NOT change their religious beliefs because of this law. People who have vaccine-injured children who do not qualify for a medical exemption will NOT immunize their children. It is already difficult to claim a non-medical exemption in Oregon, and people who do it have very strong reasons.

Finally, healthy children are NOT a health hazard and NOT a "public threat". Segregating them will not make anyone safer!

Please, kill the horrible bill HB3063.

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Arkady Grudzinsky  
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Dear members of the Joint Committee on Human Services,

A couple of notes on the amendments -18 and -49 to HB3063 submitted by Senator Steiner Hayward.

These amendments make the bill even worse than it already is.

1. HB3063 is coercive in its nature. It cannot be amended by adding additional coercive clauses to monitor doctors.
2. Having government officials review and approve doctor's decisions is unacceptable
  - o It undermines trust between the doctor and the patient
  - o It restricts the doctor's freedom to help their patients to the best of their ability
  - o It undermines the privacy of the doctor-patient relationship
3. The amendments will pose a huge burden on schools, child care facilities, Public Health Officers, and medical board members to submit and review all these reports.

Please, turn down these amendments and kill this onerous bill!

Sincerely,

Arkady Grudzinsky

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I am an RN, Bachelor's prepared. And am also more than fully vaccinated considering my medical career and past international travels. I have also given many vaccines. For many years, this gave me little pause for concern. All I was taught in nursing school was the CDC schedule.

If the bill comes to a vote, I am writing to request that you vote "No" on HB 3063 for many distinct reasons.

First, here is my main thought with regards to the current legislation that would remove the philosophical exemption: Based on my professional and personal experiences watching vaccine reactions, the medical exemptions we currently give are too narrow to include everyone at risk for reactions. And there is insufficient screening in place to identify individual risk factors for these reactions. Medical exemptions need to be re-evaluated based on comprehensive analysis of characteristics of patients who have reacted to vaccines. Until this is complete and better screening is in place, the philosophical exemption is needed so that patients can make their own risk assessments.

Informed consent and patient autonomy are core values of nursing. I support the rights of parents to do their own research on the ever-evolving field of vaccines and in the face of a massive change in the overall health status of the children of America. Parents need to weigh the evidence for themselves, weigh their own child's risks and make an individual decision about vaccination.

In Oregon, most children who file an exemption are partially vaccinated. For instance, the Oregon Health Authority data has shown that MMR vaccination rates are over 95% in most counties.

Changing the current laws would prohibit over 31,000 children from attending public school.

Some parents are simply choosing not to vaccinate against Hepatitis B, a blood and body-fluid borne disease for which most children are not at risk -- and for which the data regarding its efficacy against Hep B in adulthood suggests it may not even be effective by that time. These parents would not be able to send their children to public school.

And with regards to vaccines in general:

1) The evidence is unclear. We need a very large, well designed study of fully vaccinated and fully unvaccinated children; either using retrospective data which the CDC and other countries do possess in various databases -- or a longitudinal study that follows children over many years (ethical because parents make the choices). This study is critical in order to settle the debate. Please request that this study be done!

Current studies that look at simply eliminating one vaccine (such as MMR) are insufficient to study the entire schedule. The Institute of Medicine has stated that the CDC's schedule as a whole has never been studied.

Vaccines are typically not safety tested against placebo controls (such as saline injections). This is critical to assess safety concerns. Vaccine manufacturers are also not liable for any injuries caused by vaccines.

2) Insufficient screening is in place to identify people at higher risk of reactions to vaccines. We know that the vaccine court of the United States pays out hundreds of millions a year to people who have experienced vaccine injury. This in and of itself tells us that vaccines are not fully safe. Congress acknowledged this when the NVICP was developed. We also have patients with medical exemptions -- why would this be the case if vaccines were safe?

3) Adverse effects are not rare. The government estimates that VAERS database only contains 1-10% of adverse vaccine reactions. Please read the testimonies submitted by so many families in Oregon.

My own experiences: I have personally treated one patient with a rapid and serious neurological and cardiovascular MMR reaction after which her doctor told her never to receive this vaccine again. I have one friend whose baby had development regressions slid onto the autism spectrum as a result of vaccines. I have another friend (an RN) whose 4 year old had a severe vaccine reaction and yet another friend whose baby had significant behavioral/sleep/nursing and skin problems following her two month vaccines. And yet another whose son had a reaction which persuaded his critical, scientist father that vaccines can cause injuries. And that's not all. If the reactions were truly 1 in a million then I wouldn't know so many people who have experienced them.

We owe it to our children to weigh the risks and benefits of any medical intervention and to make sure that the evidence behind our decisions for them is comprehensive and complete.

Thank you for listening!

Ashley Corey, RN

**From:** [Ashley .Gestson](#)  
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**Subject:** Pro choice  
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As a mother of two, who has vaccinated I absolutely believe that it should be up to the parents to make the decisions for what is best for their children. I am absolutely heartbroken that the state I love to much is at this point. Please hear us.

Warmly,  
Ashley Gestson

**From:** [Ashley Reese](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** House Bill 3063  
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Dear Governor Brown,

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Yours truly,

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**Subject:** Vote NO on HB3063  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 23, 2019 8:15:19 PM

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Dear esteemed committee members,

My name is Ashley Thomas and I am a mother and nurse in Medford, Oregon. I am writing to you today to ask you to vote NO on HB3063 and all amendments.

My family and I relocated to Oregon from Pennsylvania in this past year to access safe, professional home birth midwifery care and the right to informed choice and medical freedom for my second pregnancy/birth. Access to ongoing medical care and an environment that supports my family's right to make informed choices for our children is a top priority. If I had known HB3063 was in the works and would potentially threaten my children's right to attend public school or daycare, we likely would not have moved to Oregon.

Mandatory vaccinations violate our right to make decisions about our own bodies and the bodies of our children. It is inappropriate for the state to violate medical informed choice, which is foundational for ethical health care, especially where there is risk.

Please protect philosophical and religious exemptions, medical informed choice and the right of informed parents to make the best choices for their children.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Warmly,

Ashley Thomas, RN

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Sent from my iPhone



To: Sponsors of Oregon HB 3063 and Members of the Joint Committee on Ways & Means Subcommittee on Human Services.

Re: No to HB 3063, Vaccine Mandates, and Discrimination of Nonvaccinated Children

April 22, 2019

The Association of American Physicians and Surgeons (AAPS) strongly opposes governmental overriding of the medical decisions of patients and physicians, including those related to vaccination. AAPS opposes Oregon HB 3063.

Patient autonomy is a key foundation of the charter for Medical Professionalism, and informed consent is required by the Nuremberg code. The patient's or parent's choice to receive a particular vaccine at a particular time should be between the patient or parent and the patient's chosen physician.

Like all medical interventions, vaccines have risks and benefits that vary with frequency and severity of disease, vaccine safety, and individual patient factors. A national bureaucratic committee cannot consider patient individuality and may be slow to recognize newly identified contraindications.

Vaccines are necessarily risky, as recognized by the U.S. Supreme Court and by Congress. The Vaccine Injury Compensation Program has paid some \$4 billion in damages, and high hurdles must be surmounted to collect compensation. The damage may be so devastating that most people would prefer restored function to a multimillion-dollar damage award.

Safety studies are generally not of sufficient power to rule out serious adverse reactions (e.g. encephalopathy, epilepsy, autoimmune disease, or death) that may be more common (say 1 in 10,000) than death or serious complication from the disease to be prevented. For most vaccines, the risk is not precisely known, but may be higher than is acceptable for some voluntary, occupational risks, or for some environmental risks. Most choose to take the risk of a complication that is so infrequent that most pediatricians have not observed it, in order to reduce the risk of a disease. But others should be free to opt out.

It is fundamentally unfair to *force* children to take a risk that might be higher than a worker would be *allowed* to take, such as exposure to a toxic chemical in the workplace, in order to attend school, or to place burdens on parents who decline.

Some parents, even if they believe the benefits of a vaccine exceed the risks, have a moral objection. In this country, individual conscience is sacrosanct, even without a seal of approval from an organized,

government-recognized religious group. Most often, this concerns the use of aborted human fetuses. Consider that such vaccines may contain human DNA, which might also pose risks.

The current nationwide rush to limit vaccine exemptions is fueled by outbreaks of measles, several hundred cases to date. The last recorded death from measles in the U.S. occurred in 2015, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC, <https://www.cdc.gov/measles/downloads/measlesdataandstatsslideset.pdf>).

More than a hundred deaths in association with the MMR vaccine have been reported to the Vaccine Adverse Event Reporting System (VAERS). While a causal relationship is not proved, it also has not been ruled out.

Much wider outbreaks would change the risk-to-benefit ratio, and many would voluntarily reconsider their decision. Even for those who did not, governmental overriding of the medical decisions of patients and physicians is a serious intrusion into individual liberty, autonomy, and parental decisions about child-rearing.

AAPS believes that liberty rights are unalienable. Patients and parents have the right to refuse vaccination, although potentially contagious persons can be restricted in their movements (e.g. as with Ebola), as needed to protect others against a clear and present danger. Unvaccinated persons with no exposure to a disease and no evidence of a disease are not a clear or present danger.

AAPS represents thousands of physicians in all specialties nationwide. It was founded in 1943 to protect private medicine and the patient-physician relationship.

Respectfully yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jane M. Orient". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Jane M. Orient, M.D.  
Executive Director  
Association of American Physicians and Surgeons

**From:** [Audrey Tran](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** HB 3063 - Statement of Support from Medical Student, OHSU  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 23, 2019 6:38:54 AM

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As a second-year medical student, I have seen how the young children who are unvaccinated, whose parents have refused a yearly flu shot, come in for medical treatment of viral illnesses, and sometimes with the flu (which theoretically should have been preventable). While we will always put the health of the patient and patient's family as a top priority, we must ask, what makes vaccines, a tenet of the medical care that has saved thousands of lives, so different from the myriad of medical services we provide at the hospital? We must communicate that we all want what's best for the patient/our children -- we want healthy kids, and that's what vaccines provide for us.

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Audrey Tran

**Oregon Health & Science University School of Medicine**

**Medical Student**

**Health Policy Interest Group Co-Lead, 2018**

**Women's Leadership Development Program**

**From:** [Aylee Allen](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** Oppose HB3063  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 23, 2019 6:15:22 AM

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April 23, 2019

Regarding opposition to HB3063,

I have written a several of letters in opposition to HB3063 from a financial aspect but wanted to write one on my personal experience. I almost died as an infant from my first round of vaccinations. My left leg swelled up as big as my body and I spent several weeks in a coma in critical care. My mom after seeing the brain swelling that occurred in me obviously did not pursue further vaccination. I know you likely don't understand what it is like to see your child in that condition and I hope you never do. I tried again as an adult in 2008. I was the unlucky recipient of the MMR vaccine and afterward I was bed ridden. I was so tired and sick I lost my job and they could not figure out what was wrong with me. I knew that I had made a very poor choice and would give anything to go back to and make a different decision. I now have an auto immune disease that I have to live with for the rest of my life instead of an illness, such as measles that comes and goes. You are now asking me to subject my children with my same DNA to 285 different antigens in under 6 months in order to attend a school based activity. Obviously I am unwilling to kill my children, which your ridiculous schedule that goes against the CDC is asking. So what is now being asked of me is that I move my children, who were born in Oregon, who are very healthy to another state. I can literally move then less than 20 miles away and they can attend school.

Your bill is not about healthy children. Your bill is about making money for pharmaceutical companies and many of you have campaigns sponsored by them. I would list who you are but you know, its public knowledge. I can tell you from personal experience that my children contracted both chicken pox and pertussis from fully vaccinated children. I can also tell you that my entire family aside from one cousin does not vaccinate their children. We were at a family reunion when I got a call from the health department letting me know my son had been exposed to pertussis at a camp from a vaccinated child. I didn't think much of it as he did not exhibit anything close to a whop or other classic symptoms. I none the less obliged taking him in for testing. He did have it and none of the people at my family reunion got it (there were tons of babies and elderly there). His brother he shares a room with and his infant brother did not contract it. The only person that got pertussis was my child's fully vaccinated 9 year old cousin. That is the only time in my life that my child has been forced to be an antibiotics, which I was later told by his PCP were unnecessary. My children have been very healthy. They also had the chicken pox, which I actually had to have blood drawn to prove as they literally had maybe two spots and a runny nose. They have wonderful immune systems and you are asking me to make them immunocompromised to attend school. We are a nation full of sick people, Autism rates are 1 in 36, autoimmune diseases have skyrocketed and you don't even bat an eyelash. No one has dies from the measles. It's not even a disease, it's an illness that comes and goes and leaves a lifetime of immunity in its place.

This bill makes absolutely no sense and is clearly not about protecting the heard as Oregon is well above the heard immunization rate if you believe in that theory. At your hands we will be forced to move our healthy children out of state. Pick up businesses that contribute largely to Oregon's economy and start over. We will do before we inject fetal tissue, formaldehyde, mercury and a host of other neurotoxins into our children. What you should be focused on is how to make vaccines actually safe and effective. Since 1986 there has been no accountability or incentive for them to make vaccines effective. If vaccines were so safe and effective there would not be a vaccine injury fund. Ask yourself why would they care to make them safe and effective children who are unhealthy ultimately make more money for them with their cancer, autoimmune diseases and autism. They can create life-long customers, it's a brilliant business plan on their behalf. They make life long consumers and have zero liability to the illnesses they create. I work in health care, have a master's degree and have spent much of my adult life researching this

subject. I wish with all my heart I had been able to come to any other logical conclusion but the writing on the wall was too obvious to misread.

I hope that you can see what your asking is fundamentally wrong. I would have loved to have attended the public hearing but I don't live near Salem, I have a job and you gave less than 48 hours' notice! Clearly I know most of you have already made up your mind on something you actually know very little about. You are asking more than thirty one thousand children to become ill. Children that are healthy and are not spreading anything. Children who want access to a public education. Children who do not want to be segregated and ostracized. The vaccine makers will not be held liable but Oregon could be. The ball is in your court and it has a huge impact on those you serve. I implore you to work on something that matters and make vaccines makers responsible again, ensure vaccines safe and effective. Then you would not have to make a bill like this and we would be a healthier nation.

Sincerely,

Aylee Rhea

PO BOX 2081

Gearhart, OR 97138

February 26, 2019

TO Oregon State Legislature, Senate Committee on Health Care

Re: Support for HB 3063

Honorable Chair and Committee Members,

My name is Jenny Malcom, MD, and I'm a pediatrician from Metropolitan Pediatrics in Gresham, OR, writing to urge your support of HB 3063, which seeks to remove the non-medical vaccine exemption from Oregon law.

Right now, Oregon and Southwest Washington are seeing first-hand the effects of the current measles outbreak on individuals, families, our caregivers and our community. Our office is being inundated daily with panicked phone calls and visits from families who are scared that their infant or immunocompromised child (neither of whom can be immunized for measles) is at risk for contracting this completely preventable disease. These same families are keeping their infants and children at home to prevent exposure – they are going crazy with the possibility that their vulnerable child might die or suffer severe complications as a result of infection.

Interestingly, we also have many unvaccinated families who are coming to the clinic in droves requesting that their children receive the measles (MMR) vaccine due to the current measles outbreak; the puzzling and disheartening thing is that most do not want any other vaccines – they are scared about the current measles outbreak, but yet still decline all other inoculations that could mean life or death for their children, as well as many others.

As I mentioned above, this outbreak was preventable. Those who opt out of vaccinating their children place other vulnerable members of the population at greater risk for exposure. This isn't about removing choice; this is about protecting those who have NO choice. The 3 week old infant with whooping cough that I cared for during my residency at OHSU died a miserable death after many invasive interventions performed to save her life; neither she nor her family had a choice as she was too young to be vaccinated for whooping cough. She relied on those around her to be vaccinated so that she could be protected, and we failed her.

Families who choose not to vaccinate their children can still choose not to do so – they should just not have the privilege of using a public entity such as school, thereby putting many other children at risk for disease and death. Vaccine exemption rates are skyrocketing in Oregon despite doctors' strong and persistent recommendations to vaccinate, as well as strong evidence with regard to vaccine efficacy and safety. Right now, 7.5% of children in Oregon are

unvaccinated, putting us below the community immunity threshold and endangering vulnerable populations.

Vaccines save lives. There are few other interventions in modern medicine that have had such a significant impact on decreasing child mortality and morbidity. There have been numerous large well designed studies showing the effectiveness and safety of vaccines. Contrary to popular belief, vaccines don't cause autism, and repeated studies have shown this time after time.

We are facing a public health emergency today. Oregon is seeing the impact of high vaccine exemption rates in the Portland area as over 61 individuals have contracted measles, an extremely contagious disease with potentially devastating effects.

I implore the committee to protect children's lives by supporting HB 3063.

Thank you,

Jenny Malcom, MD

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**From:** [Jeremy](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** No on HB 3063  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 23, 2019 12:51:03 PM

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Good Afternoon,

This is an email encouraging a NO vote on HB 3063. The informed consent process of a medical intervention is a necessary check and balance of power between the doctor and the patient. This bill removes that with regards to vaccines and starts a dangerous legal precedent of state sponsored oversight in medial treatment.

Please vote no on HB 3063, do not remove parental rights to informed consent for medical intervention. Please vote no HB 3063 where there is risk there must be choice. Please vote no on HB 3063 as the state does not have the right to dictate my medical choices and then discriminate educational and extra curricular opportunities.

Jeremy and Meg Boethin  
Bend Oregon

Sent from [Outlook](#)

**From:** [Joan Schutter](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** HB3063  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 23, 2019 12:00:39 PM

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Dear Members of the Committee,

I am a resident of Newberg, Oregon. I am a concerned grandparent.

I strongly oppose HB 3063, which would eliminate non-medical vaccination exemptions for school children in Oregon.

I believe this violates the rights of parents to choose the health care their children need. Who knows better than a child's own mom or dad how a vaccination will affect their child. These parents are informed of the pros and cons of vaccinations and can and should make the decision to vaccinate.

Please DO NOT support this bill. Please maintain the integrity and respect for medical freedom and parental choice in Oregon by NOT supporting HB 3063.

Sincerely,

Joan Schutter  
115 Clifford Court  
Newberg, Oregon 97132

**From:** [Joy Hayes](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Cc:** [Jimmy Hayes](#); [Mom Ilse Hathaway](#); [Skip Hathaway](#)  
**Subject:** Comment to be including in Public Record for HB 3063  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 23, 2019 12:09:24 PM

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Dear HB 3063 Legislators,

I am writing to you as a concerned mother and tax paying citizen of Oregon.

In fourth grade I had complications with the chicken pox, leading me to be hospitalized for encephalitis, so I, more than most, understand the rare risks involved with these childhood diseases we are trying to protect our children from. When I became I mother, I followed the CDC's recommended schedule for my child. When my first child was three months of age she received the combination DTaP-IPV/Hib vaccine and exhibited, what three separate doctors have told me were moderate to severe adverse reactions, and encouraged me not to continue with these vaccines, because of the high risk of serious injury. Even though I have these received this medical advice, she will be unable to gain medical exception under the new HB 3063 Laws. If she is forced to receive additional doses of this vaccine (or any other mandated vaccine that contains an acellular Pertussis component) it is likely she could end up with irreversible damage. But again, because of the extreme writing of this bill, it is not possible for her to receive medical exemption. Since pharmaceutical companies are not liable to these injuries, the State of Oregon will now be liable for paying out compensation to these families, which in the last 20 years has caused the US government to payout over \$4,000,000,000.

I am a stay at home mother who schools my children through a public homeschool charter system, my husband is locally employed and is a valuable asset to the local and thriving wine industry. We volunteer as a Safe Family house through our church as a preemptive effort to help families before their situation calls for state intervention. We volunteer hours weekly as soccer coaches and team managers. We coordinate local volunteer efforts helping the local food pantries, DHS office, park cleanups, homeless youth centers, and more. If this bill passes, this extreme legislature, will not allow us, and many other valuable members of our community, to bring our children to all the places we serve our community, such as soccer fields, school cafeterias, and other places, leaving a giant hole in the community that will no doubt eventually end up costing the tax payers.

If this bill passes, pulling my three children out of the school district, as so many other families in similar situations will, roughly 31,521, it will cost local school districts important dollars around \$11,000 per student, that they are already short on, having a serious ripple effect on our economy, and education outcomes.  
<https://www.oregon.gov/ode/schools-and-districts/reportcards/documents/rptcard2017.pdf>.

Since the state of Oregon is required, under Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act off 1973, to provide Free Appropriate Public Education, the state will now be required to provide free online K-12 education to roughly 31,521 students, something neither the Oregon Board of Education, or the taxpayers are prepared for. Oregon currently has 21 online school that have enrollment of 13,994 students. Many of these schools have waiting lists, meaning entry has to be done by lottery. Even assuming everyone with a medical exemption could get in, that still leaves 17,500 without an option. How does the state plan to educate these children?

Along with severe health implications to our children, Oregon is also looking at serious financial issues if this bill passes. Please kill this bill.

With a heavy heart,

Joy Hayes



**From:** [Kacie Flegal D.C.](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** HB3063  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 23, 2019 1:11:27 PM

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Dear Representatives,

VOTE NO ON HB3063! This bill is a gross overreach of government. Parents should always have the right to CHOOSE for their children!

Thank you for making the RIGHT choice for HUMAN RIGHTS!

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In Health and Happiness

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**From:** [Karin Boone](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** HB 3063  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 23, 2019 12:12:34 PM

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I am writing to voice my strong opposition to HB 3063. I have heard too many times that opponents of HB 3063 are anti-science and "anti-vaxx." This could not be farther from the truth. I actually DO greatly support science. I hold a Bachelors and a Masters degree in a science/medical field and I have extensively educated myself regarding vaccine safety and effectiveness. I am not writing you to argue the science, but where there is risk, there must be choice. Let me say that again. **WHERE THERE IS RISK, THERE MUST BE CHOICE!**

There isn't a single vaccine in this world that has a 100% safety guarantee. There are risks involved in all vaccines. That cannot be disputed. That is science. You should know this simply by reading the insert included in every single vaccine manufactured. Have you read any of these? If you cannot guarantee 100% safety how can you mandate it? What happened to medical freedom and the right to informed consent? These are my questions. I am not "anti-vaxx." My kids have been vaccinated against Measles, Mumps, Rubella, Diptheria, Tetanus, Pertussis, and many others. They are missing 1 single vaccine for a disease that is primarily transmitted through sexual contact and IV drug use. My kids are not putting a single person in this world at risk by not being vaccinated, but they will be denied their right to public education if this bill passes. This bill is criminal and strips Oregonians of basic freedoms. What I want as a parent is choice. What I want is the right to informed consent. HB 3063 removes these. Who are the winners if this bill passes? Certainly not the American people. The drug companies win, and they win big. I urge you to vote no against HB 3063 and preserve basic medical freedom and choice. Thank you very much for your time.

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**From:** [Katie Hennessy](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Cc:** [Sen Beyer](#); [Rep Nosse](#); [Sen Heard](#); [Sen Wagner](#); [Rep Hayden](#); [Rep Salinas](#); [Rep Schouten](#); [Rep Stark](#); [Sen Manning](#); [Rep Nathanson](#)  
**Subject:** Please vote NO on HB 3063 and any amendments  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 23, 2019 1:03:48 PM

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To whom it may concern:

I am writing to share my concerns about HB 3063. As a retired USDA Farm Loan Manager and current Stay-at-Home mother, I believe vaccines have a place in our society for those who wish to receive them. I also feel strongly, that this bill is an overreach of government.

Restricting children from ANY type of school, especially online school, because they are missing ONE vaccination is far too restrictive. In addition, as you know, these children would be automatically expelled from school - regardless if they are in pre-school, kindergarten, or a senior in high school with only weeks before graduation.

The medical exemptions to not vaccinate are nearly impossible to obtain, so families who have had children with severe vaccine reactions and/or the genetic predisposition to possible severe reactions, would struggle to qualify under the overly strict guidelines.

Most importantly, this bill infringes on Oregonians' rights to medical freedom and choice. One of the reasons I am proud to live in our state/country is that we are a democracy and are afforded rights/choices. As it currently is written, this bill would be a step in slowly chipping away at our freedom of medical choice.

In a recent letter to the Senate Committee on Health, Education Labor and Pensions (dated February 26, 2019), the Association of American Physicians and Surgeons recognizes and addresses their concerns about governmental "interference in medical decisions, including mandated vaccines". Specifically, they stated: "After being fully informed of the risks and benefits of a medical procedure, patients have the right to reject or accept that procedure...Governmental preemption of patients' or parents' decisions about accepting drugs or other medical interventions is a serious intrusion into individual liberty, autonomy, and parental decisions about child-rearing."

In my opinion HB 3063 and it's amendments - if passed as it is currently written - would be a "serious intrusion" in the rights of all Oregonians to medical freedom and choice. I strongly urge you to OPPOSE HB 3063 and protect the freedom of your fellow Oregonians.

Sincerely,

Kathryn Hennessy  
Eugene, OR

**From:** [KC Anderson](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** Testimony - Opposition to HB 3063  
**Date:** Monday, April 22, 2019 12:08:51 PM

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To the Oregon Ways and Means Committee,

I live in Bend, Oregon and have been a proud Oregonian since 2000. I write to you today as a mother of two beautiful young children. I have researched and weighted the benefit vs risk for every medical decision involving their lives from their birth to when and which vaccine they receive. It pains me that the progressive and open-minded state is considering taking away its citizens rights to chose what goes in our body. I implore you to listen to the thousands of emails and testimonies that I am sure you have received from men and women (I bet a lot of mothers with first-hand experience). All voices need to be heard.

Please show the rest of the country and the world, that Oregon will not be bought by big pharma, will not be censored, will not be bullied, and will not be frightened into taking away rights of its citizens. Instead, let's lead the fight for real conversations about the pros and cons of vaccines. Afterall all doctors will admit, all medical procedures and medicines have benefits and RISKS. If you hear testimony that says otherwise, I urge you to question that logic. It's time that we start having the hard conversation that includes an honest reflection on the safety of the current vaccine schedule as a whole.

Again, please oppose HB 3063:

- Because we Oregonians believe medical decisions should be made in the privacy of a doctor's office, not in the state legislature.
- Because we Oregonians value all freedom and do not want to abolish person freedoms for any reason.
- Because we Oregonians want all children to have access to education. (It doesn't make sense that a child with Hepatitis B can attend school, but a child who hasn't been vaccinated can't?)
- Because we Oregonians think it is a terrible idea to try to coerce parents into one-size-fits-all.
- Because there is no emergency in Oregon which would justify this kind of forced medical intervention.

Thank you for listening.

KC Anderson  
Bend, OR 97703

**From:** [Kelly M Simpson](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** HB 3063 Testimony  
**Date:** Monday, April 22, 2019 12:36:26 PM

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I'm writing as a very concerned Oregon parent. I am a parent of 4 young children in Newberg. I suffer from an Autoimmune disease. Due to my medical history, myself, my husband, and our children's pediatrician have decided to selectively vaccinate our children. Our children have received or are going to receive the DTAP and the MMR vaccines. If this bill passes as is, my children will not be able to attend school. Even though they pose no threat to the community.

My oldest is supposed to be starting kindergarten this September. She could not be more excited. She is an extremely social child. Due to this and our finances, homeschooling is not an option for us. We will be forced to leave the State of Oregon. A state that we truly love. A state where all our family and support system is. If this bill passes it will truly have a devastating effect on my family.

Due to medical reasons, we cannot give my children the CDC recommended vaccine schedule. Even the CDC does not recommend parents with autoimmune diseases give their children all of the vaccines. However, we would not qualify for a medical exemption.

Moving out of Oregon would be heartbreaking for my family. However, I have to put their health first. I want to reiterate that my children receive the DTAP and MMR. Therefore, they pose no threat to their community. I urge you to please vote no on this bill. If you feel that it is your duty to pass something, than please make an ammendment that medical exemptions are a decision between patients and their doctors.

Thank you so much for your time,

Kelly Simpson

**From:** [Krista Anderson](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** HB 3063  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 23, 2019 1:30:32 PM

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An “emergency” requiring a choice between any kind of normal, social schooling and mandatory vaccination should address active outbreaks and legitimate threats to public health.

Including 6 vaccines in an emergency declaration just because they are part of the current recommended schedule feels like an opportunity to carry out a pre-planned public health policy of forced vaccination of Oregon children without direct consent from Oregonians.

As the CDC states, “Any vaccine can cause side effects” (<https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/vac-gen/side-effects.htm>). Those who will have significant vaccine reactions will not know until they have them. The state of Oregon should be prepared to accept liability and support those children and resulting expenses if they pass HB 3063.

**I would absolutely have sued the state if vaccinating my son had been mandated.**

My son was nonresponsive in his crib at 18 months shortly after a vaccine when his blood sugar dropped to 32 overnight with no warning.

He had previously had 104, 105 degree fevers with every vaccine. We were told to expect febrile seizures at some point.

We tried vaccinating our 2<sup>nd</sup> son at 2 months old – he became violently ill a few hours later and I decided to stop vaccinating.

Under HB 3063 we would be required to endure every one of those vaccine reactions, over and over, by state edict.

I had a brother with a heart transplant. I understand why it might best interest of the some who are very young, old and sick to have a vaccinated populous. But HB 3063 considers only the health of the latter to the exclusion of those that may have, or may be at risk for, vaccine reactions.

My boys cannot get medical exemptions because contraindications guidelines from the CDC ACIP are so limited – treating these “best practices” as law and blindly adhering to them does not allow doctors to use professional judgment to consider personal health histories and to therefore make decisions in the best interest of any child (<https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/hcp/acip-recs/general-recs/contraindications.html>).

And so we have taken philosophical exemptions.

I am characterized as well-intentioned but misguided, a conspiracy theorist, or not caring about other peoples’ kids. A chasm has formed, obliterating reasonable dialogue about facts and reducing complex issues to black-and-white, us-and-them... HB 3063 reflects this kind of all-or-nothing attitude.

Example – many think unvaccinated children are responsible for spreading pertussis and that the vaccine is very effective. The facts are (source - CDC):

1) Those with the pertussis vaccine can get and spread the disease without evident symptoms. "...children who haven't received DTaP vaccines...are not the driving force behind the large scale outbreaks or epidemics."... "Acellular pertussis vaccines may not prevent colonization (carrying the bacteria in your body without getting sick) or spread of the bacteria"

(<https://www.cdc.gov/pertussis/about/faqs.html#travelers> )

2) Pertussis booster is not very effective and results in short-lived immunity.

DTaP is for children up to age 7. Tdap is for children age 10+ and adults "...in the first year after getting vaccinated with Tdap, it protects about 7 out of 10 people who receive it. There is a decrease in effectiveness in each following year. About 3 or 4 out of 10 people are fully protected 4 years after getting Tdap."

(<https://www.cdc.gov/pertussis/about/faqs.html#lifetime>)

3) The pertussis virus is mutating which may impact vaccine effectiveness. The science is not settled.

"CDC is evaluating potential causes of increasing rates of pertussis, including changes in disease-causing bacteria types ("strains")... Research is underway to determine if any of the recent genetic changes to pertussis bacteria may contribute to the increase in disease in the United States."

(<https://www.cdc.gov/pertussis/about/faqs.html#bacteria>)

(<https://www.nbcnews.com/health/kids-health/whooping-cough-vaccine-less-effective-because-bacteria-mutating-study-suggests-n982816>)

How can we mandate a vaccine like pertussis that does not prevent disease transmission to others and that may only work for a handful of years?

Where is the concern about mandating a mumps vaccine that clearly has efficacy and waning immunity issues (most people in current US outbreaks are fully vaccinated)?

Who is alarmed about mandating a vaccine when the manufacturer (Merck) is under lawsuit from former virologist employees who allege 1) Merck misrepresented its mumps vaccine to be more effective than Merck knows it to be and 2) Merck knowingly failed to disclose the vaccine's diminished efficacy to the FDA? (<https://www.dropbox.com/s/xgnh4lduhle3ncf/SOI%20-%20ex%20rel%20Krahling%20Dkt%2054.pdf?dl=0>)

Why must a kindergartner be fully vaccinated against Hepatitis B to attend school (transmitted via sex and drug use)... why are we demanding vaccination of 100% of our children for a disease only a fraction of them might get because we cannot control or protect them from their own behavior later in life?

**If parents can no longer weigh these issues themselves, what consumer protections will be in place post-HB 3063 to guarantee vaccines remain irrefutably necessary, safe and effective?**

The safety and efficacy of vaccines should speak for themselves.

If there were zero vaccine reactions, there would be zero resistance to vaccines and zero medical professionals providing testimony to you in opposition to this bill (see Vaccine Injury Compensation Program for \$4 billion of federally determined “compensable” vaccine injuries <https://www.hrsa.gov/vaccine-compensation/data/index.html>, and the VAERS passive reporting system for vaccine adverse events <https://vaers.hhs.gov/> - VAERS is “a national early warning system to detect possible safety problems in U.S.-licensed vaccines” (<https://vaers.hhs.gov/about.html>)).

If Oregon feels coercive vaccination (by taking away education rights from our children) is necessary then maybe their public health efforts are lacking in addressing:

- 1) vaccine safety concerns and/or education
- 2) vaccine efficacy concerns and/or education
- 3) legitimate professional responses to vaccine injuries.

Anyone with a child with a severe vaccine reaction will tell you our experiences are unreported, dismissed, ignored and sometimes ridiculed.

The public health mantra is unwaveringly that vaccines are safe and effective with no room for disagreement, lest we frighten the masses. Therefore an array of vaccine reactions (from high fevers to projectile vomiting to febrile seizures to ketotic hypoglycemia almost resulting in a coma) must be endured by children for the greater good, and severe reactions are declared rare enough that those children are acceptable collateral damage.

...and so my son’s experience is his obligation to society or just doesn’t matter.

HB 3063 would silence the only people truly advocating for his personal health and wellness (his family physician (a Naturopathic Doctor) and his parents).

Please hold the health of my children in the same regard as you do the very young, old and sick for which HB 3063 is apparently written.

Sincerely,  
Krista Anderson  
Grants Pass, OR

**From:** [Megan](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** Opposition of HB3063  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 23, 2019 1:34:59 PM

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“Vote NO on HB 3063!  
I support parental rights.  
Megan Axtell, RN

Sent from my iPhone

From: [Shelby Stricklin](#)  
To: [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
Subject: HB3063 Testimony  
Date: Tuesday, April 23, 2019 12:22:18 PM

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## Testimony to Preserve Constitutional Freedoms, Educational Rights for Children, Parental Rights and Medical Freedom-

I am writing to urge you to oppose house bill 3063 and all amendments. This bill is a huge overreach of government into the personal rights of all American citizens. It takes parental rights away from parents leaving children at the mercy of the OHA and the government, obliterating their right to education and freedom and obliterates religious and constitutional rights.

The amendments proposed only further discriminate parents who choose to delay, postpone or choose not to vaccinate for personal, medical or religious reasons. We should not need a reason not to put a known harmful product into our children! We want our right to choose what is best for our children! We want the right to allow our children to build up their own healthy immune systems without fear of their educational rights being taken away.

About the amendments to this bill...

-49 adds by rule that OHA can require other diseases to be immunized against.

- 18 Requires that OHA provides to each board (Oregon Nurses Board, Oregon Naturopath Board and Oregon Medical Board) the medical exemption to be reviewed by their boards monthly.

-18 Requires annual reporting on those reviews of the medical exemptions. And to report to legislators and the status of what happened as a result of those reviews. It reviews the exemptions based on "reasonable ACIP guidelines" but does not amend the criteria for medical exemptions and again open to RULES change.

-18 Requires tracking for homeschoolers and their vaccination rates.

This bill and the amendments is getting worse by the minute and is now requiring even more funding to man those doing these medical exemption reviews, but also the reports and monthly reviews on the medical exemptions. The medical exemptions are still the same in terms of strictness and still able to be changed by rule of OHA which is unacceptable!

If my child gets a vaccination that makes her sick is the OHA going to pay for and provide medical care to my child? No, the parents will suffer! Parents will miss work and will not be contributing precious tax dollars to Oregon. Who suffers when our children can't go to school or be in public places? The parents!

I am a single mom and a licensed foster care provider for an adult with disabilities who requires 24/7 care. If this bill passes I will not have the time to educate my daughter by way of homeschooling and keep my job. I will be forced to quit my job to take care of my daughter and the state of Oregon will loose a much needed foster care home. We will likely have to move out of the state so that my child can enroll in school, so that I may be afforded the time to work. This bill inadvertently discriminates against single parents who's children don't get one or all vaccinations.

I refuse to live in a state and pay taxes to a state where my child is labeled a pariah, and our family is marginalized from society. This is not the United States of America that I grew up in. Have we forgotten about the Holocaust? Will my child lacking one annual flu shot have to wear a star on her shirt to prevent her from participating in society? This is not the kind of country I want to create! This bill comes out of fear and big corporation dollars and it's being sold as a means to protect Oregon and the nation, but really it does not protect us, it destroys our personal freedoms.

Currently the media is pushing these bills using the recent measles outbreaks as a fear tactic. Here are the facts. In Oregon, in 2018 according to the Oregon Health Authority, there were only 2.6% of students K-12 who claim a non-medical exemption to vaccines. Did you know that the CDC says that even kids who receive the full 2 doses of the measles vaccine have a 3% chance of contracting the measles if they are exposed? We already have exclusion laws in place at school so that if any child (vaccinated or not) contracts the measles they are not allowed at school for the inoculation period of 21 days. Unvaccinated children do not pose more risk to other vaccinated children, so why would any of us choose to help the state of Oregon discriminate against this small percentage Oregonian children? What about all of the adults who were never vaccinated or those who have never received their boosters? Will we mandate vaccines for adults too? This is a slippery slope. Will prozac for depression be mandated next? Will chemo for cancer be mandated after that?

My family has a long history of auto-immune disease, cancer, and gene problems. According to the CDC speaking about combined vaccines states - "In fact, a 1994 report from the Institute of Medicine, [Adverse Events Associated with Childhood VaccinesExternal](#), states: "In the face of these normal events, it seems UNLIKELY that the number of separate antigens contained in childhood vaccines ...would represent an appreciable added burden on the immune system that would be immunosuppressive." <https://www.cdc.gov/vaccinesafety/concerns/multiple-vaccines-immunity.html>

Parents are currently able to weight the risks vs. benefit of giving their child a medication and vaccines should be no different, especially when the CDC can only say it's "UNLIKELY" to cause a problem with their child's immune system and there are risks. When we know vaccines are safe than I would gladly support a bill like HB3063.

Right now there is no "safe" vaccine and the risks are often worse that the disease we are stying to prevent, such as the case with the measles, therefore we should have a choice. It's imperative that my family and all other families here in Oregon be allowed to maintain or decline some or all vaccinations since it is very difficult to obtain a medical exemption from the OHA and because this bill would eradicate all medical exemptions literally kicking our children out of school.

I would also like you to consider the 35,000 Oregon children for whom Oregon State will loose tax dollars for education since they will not longer be able to attend school and all their parents who will loose their jobs to home school, or close their businesses - loosing even more money for Oregon - when they leave the state or start homeschooling. Consider the number of schools, especially private schools with high rates of partially vaccinated children that will close entirely.

Consider the number of parents who might try to get their kids caught up too quickly on their vaccines, which could cause disastrous health effects, and the amount of money it will cost the state to help those individuals over the course of their lives. I would like you to consider what it will cost to continually ensure that every child is caught up with all 72 vaccinations on the vaccination schedule to keep everyone compliant and consider all the adults who haven't had a booster shot in years. You may be one of those adults! I would like you to consider if your child, your niece, or

step-son was perfectly healthy and then got a mandated vaccine which caused them to become disabled, have multiple seizers a day, or even die and what that would look like in your family. The number of auto-immune disease is about 50% and growing, so it's likely that over 50% of the population could need a medical exemption for these vaccines at anytime and this medical exemption will be gone if this bill passes.

One other thing I'd like you to consider is that my father who is now 74 years old has never had any vaccines. He is healthy and strong for someone his age. He had the measles as a child and survived like most do. The only childhood death that he ever experienced was his best friend who died immediately after receiving a vaccination. The Brady Bunch from the popular tv show even made a whole show about every one in their family getting the measles like it was a right of passage and it was not a scary disease that needed to be feared. This is clearly a tactic being used by the media to push the agenda that there is a measles "emergency", but that is just simply not true.

The only people I know who get the flu are those who get the flu shot. I have met many mothers who say their child was normal before getting the MMR and I can clearly see they are on the autism spectrum and have special needs. Until we know for sure what kind of reaction our children will get from these vaccines they are just not safe enough to mandate.

Please, I urge you to save our schools, our religious freedom, our parental rights and our medical freedom and kill bill 3063 along with the amendments.

Thank you,

Shelby Stricklin  
Deschutes County  
Oregon Constituent  
541.848.9973

**From:** [Susan](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** VACCINE EXEMPTIONS  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 23, 2019 1:18:30 PM

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I personally cannot stand behind banning exemptions for vaccines. I suffer from a multitude of autoimmune conditions which also makes me VERY sensitive to chemicals. All the drugs my doctors have prescribed have given me bad reactions. One drug almost burst my tendons and I could not walk for 3 days. The very same drug brought on blindness to my brother, he only recovered after stopping this drug. Forcing individuals to inject chemicals directly into their veins is worse. Under normal conditions the human body is introduced to childhood conditions such as measles mumps and chicken pox via the respiratory tract not directly into the blood stream like vaccines. More and more of our civil rights are being taken away like other countries under dictatorship. Have you ever read the ingredients in these vaccines? I have and its appalling. The CDC emails show the deception. Many of the upper CDC officials have a revolving door between the CDC and the FDA. This too is appalling. I have read the science from everyone not just the industries paid scientist. Don't turn us into a dictatorship!

Sincerely  
Susan Boyce

Dear **Legislator**,

As a Medical Student at Oregon Health and Science University, I am writing on behalf of medical professionals everywhere, to urge action on non-medical exemptions from state immunization laws.

I am very concerned about the recent surge in vaccine preventable diseases such as measles. In 2018, there were 372 confirmed cases of measles; and already, this year, there have been close to 626 individuals confirmed with measles in 22 states. Indeed, Oregon and Southwest Washington have seen one of the largest recent outbreaks of measles in our country.

Vaccines protect the health of children and adults and save lives, especially those in our community who are most vulnerable. They prevent life-threatening diseases and certain forms of cancer.

Claims that vaccines are unsafe or may cause autism have been disproven by a robust body of medical literature including a recent Danish [study](#), published in the Annals of Internal Medicine, that shows that “MMR vaccination does not increase the risk for autism, does not trigger autism in susceptible children, and is not associated with clustering of autism cases after vaccination.”

[Data](#) show that just for children born in the United States in 2009, routine childhood immunizations will prevent approximately 42,000 early deaths and 20 million cases of disease with savings of more than \$82 billion in societal costs.

Outbreaks of vaccine-preventable diseases have been linked to communities of unvaccinated and under vaccinated individuals.

We urge you to support House Bill 3063. We are counting on your support to take the necessary action to protect the health and welfare of patients in our state.

Yours truly,  
Tiffany Lee

**Medical Student, Oregon Health & Science University**

**From:** [ben.s.dery@gmail.com](mailto:ben.s.dery@gmail.com)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** 3063  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 23, 2019 9:57:42 AM

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Any vote other than “no” for this bill is a violation of rights. I vote no and wish for my representatives to vote the same way.

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** [Ben McReynolds](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** Testimonial  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 23, 2019 8:26:15 PM

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I do not support HB 3063. It is a complete overreach by government into parents' realm of authority, that of the care of their children. I do not and cannot, in good conscience, consent. HB 3063 directly violates individual freedom of conscience. Please reject this bill!

Sincerely,  
Ben McReynolds

**From:** [Benjamin Pool](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** Vaccinations  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 23, 2019 11:08:20 AM

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Hey there, I am opposed to the new vaccination bill being introduced. It'll take away rights of the people and place it into the hands of the government.

This isn't right and should be stopped.

Ben Pool

**From:** [Beth Melner](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** Written Testimony against HB 3063  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 23, 2019 8:42:36 AM

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To Whom it May Concern,

I'm writing today to voice my strong opposition to HB 3063. I am a mother of five public school children, all who have been mostly vaccinated. We have made this decision based on much deliberation and many discussions with their doctor. However, it is important to note, due to family medical history and advice of their doctor, we have opted to not get several of the required vaccinations. If HB 3063 passes, my children would not be able to continue with their public education, which they love. Please know, I share the same goal as you in wanting to protect the health of our children, however mandating vaccines and taking away this choice of parents is not going to be an effective avenue to achieve this goal. Vaccines are not a one size fits all proposition.

Thank you for listening and please vote NO on HB 3063. We can do better!

Elisabeth Melner  
541 907 6035  
2423 NW Hemmingway Street  
Bend, Oregon 97703

**From:** [Betty Baldwin](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** Vote No HB3063 Submit public Testimony  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 23, 2019 7:53:53 PM

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Dear Legislators,

I am writing to implore you to vote no on HB3063 for the following reasons:

- \* The passage of a mandatory vaccine law will violate the rights of parents to make informed decisions about the the health and well-being of their children.
- \* It would be a violation of personal freedom, and violates our most sacred space, the boundaries of our bodies. You would be opening the door to our bodies becoming government property..
- \* Drug companies are not being held responsible for adverse reactions. Please learn from the opioid crisis our nation faces from the profit motive of a drug company.
- \* Valid information about reasons not to have mandatory vaccine laws passed are being suppressed.
- \* A climate of fear concerning the measles outbreak, is being generated by the media.
- \* Oregon's economic well-being could be damaged because many parents will not subject their children to state mandated vaccine laws. This will lead to children not being enrolled in school and lack of funding for the school systems. It could also easily lead to an exodus of concerned parents from the state, resulting in economic consequences in the labor and housing markets.

Again, I am imploring you for humanitarian reasons to not allow passage of HB 3063.

Sincerely,

Betty Baldwin, a registered voter in Beaverton, Oregon.

**From:** [BJ Knofler](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** HB 3063  
**Date:** Monday, April 22, 2019 7:59:43 PM

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I'm am writing and asking you to kill this Bill before more damage is done to our state than can be repaired. This State was one of the top States in the country but is fast falling. The Government does not have the right to take away Medical, Religious, and Intellectual freedom. The News media is making false statements about out breaks, that CDC won't ever back up. This Bill will cost this state so much money, children will be pulled from schools and many will leave. Our family who has and do work for the county and federal governments, in healthcare and schools are making an exit plan.

It is not in your scope of practice to force injections when Big Pharma has not done due diligence in testing. Testing has been done and information gathered to prove there is risk with vaccines. There is not one medication on the market today that is risk free and can be labeled Safe for all. We are all individuals and can not be treated the same. I am asking you to take one hour and print off the inserts to the injections you are trying to force on our children, there are risks and you do not have the right to take away decisions out of our hands and our Doctors. Sit in a class room and see what Big Pharma has done to our children and youth. They have no accountability, they just pass out money to those who would take the money and sell out the people they were elected to serve. How can a country as great as our have the sickest children. Follow the money and the answer is there. We see where it comes from. Can you afford to ruin schools, have a mass exit of hard working professionals?

Please do your due diligence and get test results, you can not find one legitimate test study that proves vaccines are safe for all.

Betty Knofler  
593-313-8793  
Dallas Oregon  
Sent from my iPhone

**From:** [Bonnie Cox](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** No on HB 3063  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 23, 2019 9:53:01 PM

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Dear Members of the Human Services Subcommittee:

I am opposed to House Bill 3063 and urge you to vote no on this legislation that would strip important freedoms from Oregon families.

I am the mother of two school-age children and am appalled at the level of government overreach proposed in this bill.

I am a Democrat and I vote in every election. It is particularly disheartening that the Democratic lawmakers, who stand for choice in so many other arenas, are promoting this legislation that would strip families of their right to choose what medical products are injected into their, or their children's, bodies. That is simply wrong. I do not consent and I am considering changing my party affiliation.

This bill needs to be thrown out. It can not be saved or fixed with amendments (unless Senator Thatcher's 29 amendments are considered). Please vote NO on HB 3063.

Thank you for your consideration,

Bonnie Cox

**From:** [Brand Cooper](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** MANDTORY VACCINATION LEGISLATION  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 23, 2019 5:12:54 PM

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Please vote No on HB3063

This bill is a severe infringement on the freedom of our citizens including myself as it prevents me from deciding whether to undertake the considerable risk to my child of allowing this virus to be injected into him. I will leave the state rather than have this freedom taken away.  
AND I PAY A LOT OF TAXES TO THE STATE OF OREGON

BRAND COOPER

**From:** [Brenty Gordon](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 23, 2019 9:06:16 PM

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I oppose hb3063

**From:** [Brian Becker](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#); [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** HB 3063  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 23, 2019 10:33:06 AM

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We support parental rights. We vaccinate ourselves and our children and I we also 100% support the right of the parent to choose what they believe is best for their children.

Vote no on HB 3063

Brian Becker  
2235 Broadview Ct NW  
Salem, Oregon 97304

**From:** [Brian Price](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** Testimony-Opposition to HB 3063  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 23, 2019 9:51:13 AM

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Dear Oregon Joint Committee on Human Services Members,

As a proud Oregonian, I am writing you to express my opposition to HB 3063. Under current law, the spread of infectious diseases in Oregon has never reached emergency levels for over 10 years because we have protocols in place to stop them from spreading and the last time I checked, there have only been about 10 cases of measles in all of Oregon this year. Oh, what about the 70+ cases in Clark County? Well, those occurred in a tight knit Slavic immigrant community of Russian refugees, was contained and that outbreak is practically over in a few days.

Measles was not spread outside of that group, so why has there been a fabricated emergency by the media? The publically traded pharmaceutical companies have paid the media to run stories to create fear to push mandates across the country. Think about it. If mandates can be passed in to law, there is no stopping to how much they can charge for their vaccines and they will reap a huge amount of money. Is that what the Oregon legislature wants to do? Make Big Pharma even richer?

Mandating vaccines as a condition for education in Oregon when there have been ZERO measles cases at our schools is wrong. In addition, removing my right as a parent to not vaccinate my child under the direction of our family doctor is wrong. If vaccines are so safe as advertised, why are roughly 50% of physicians across America not fully vaccinated. That seems like a contradiction in itself from the people promoting vaccines.

I present five main reasons why I am opposed to HB 3063:

1. As a Wilsonville, OR resident and father of a 1<sup>st</sup> grader, removing my current philosophical vaccine exemption will have devastating effects on my daughter's ability and right to an education funded by my income and

property taxes. Our daughter has formed great friendships, loves her teachers dearly and looks forward to someday being a cheerleader or gymnast for Wilsonville High School. She has never been severely ill nor has she contracted a known disease that vaccinations are supposed to prevent. If she comes down with a minor illness and has a fever, she's kept home to rest and recover. That is a protocol mandated by state law and it works from preventing illnesses from spreading.

2. Over the past few years, vaccine manufacturers began the practice of inserting aborted human fetal cells in vaccines. If you read the ingredient list for the MMR vaccine, you will see fetal cells (Human Diploid Cells culture) printed on the box. As a Christian family, we do not believe life granted by God should be aborted and then those human cells be used in the production of vaccines. Because of that closely held belief, we do not consent to have these items injected in to our daughter. We further believe the human body was designed with an amazing immune system of white and red blood cells that fight off incoming illnesses. These amazing blood cells send out signals when diseases enter the body and attack the disease with all they have. If more attack fighter blood cells are needed, our bone marrow goes into production mode to make more blood cells to aid in the fight. This amazing immune system designed by God is further aided when a mother breast feeds her children and antibodies already developed within the mother's blood (especially if momma was vaccinated) are passed on.
3. My wife is currently a teacher specializing in ESL education in the Woodburn School District and should HB 3063 become law, she will have to leave the teaching profession to homeschool our daughter and that loss of her roughly \$60,000 income and loss of healthcare coverage would be devastating on our family. The impact she is making on students in that school will also be lost once she leaves the classroom and Woodburn SD will lose out on one of their best ESL teachers (just ask her principal).

4. You already know there is a huge school funding shortfall facing the state this coming school year. Passing HB 3063 would place even more financial pressure on school districts across the state as over 31,000 students will no longer be allowed to attend school or attend extracurricular activities (as amended by -13) like band, football games, choir, etc. As you know, schools are funded on enrollment and losing this many students will cost districts over \$412M in revenue (~\$13,000 per child), which will lead to teacher/staff layoffs and boost class sizes by almost 40% across Oregon. Soon, teachers across the state will be coming to Salem to rally for funding. Are you prepared to tell school districts they will have to lay off staff next school year because their funding has been cut? Are you prepared for the loss of tax revenue across the state due to laid off employees not having a paycheck?
  
5. And finally, when you assumed your role as a legislature for Oregon, you swore to uphold and defend the state's constitution. Section 3 of the Oregon Bill of Rights states, "***Freedom of religious opinion. No law shall in any case whatever control the free exercise, and enjoyment of religious [sic] opinions, or interfere with the rights of conscience.—***". **HB 3063 violates this directly and should not be considered any further.**

Please think about the ramifications HB 3063 will have and all the lives across this state it will impact. There is no medical or infectious disease emergency, nor has there been one in over 5+ years. The media is lying to you.

I pray this bill will not move forward.

Sincerely,

**Brian E. Price, PHR**

Human Resources Manager

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**From:** [Megan Stuck](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** HB 3063  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 23, 2019 10:36:32 AM

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Dear Health Care Committee,

I am writing to you today as a father and an educator to express my concern over HB 3063. I feel it is the right and privilege of all parents to be able to make informed medical decisions for their children. This is not something that should be mandated or coerced by government. We all care about the health care for our families but this bill is being made in haste and triggered by fear without the real consequences thoroughly being examined. Important decisions that will effect over 31,000 Oregon children deserve better than that.

I also have concerns with getting rid of the religious exemptions. Many pro-life families do not receive certain vaccinations due to them being manufactured using aborted fetal cells. This is a legitimate religious concern that should not be ignored or stripped away.

As an educator I am concerned that all Oregon children will not be allowed to attend public, private, or charter schools. I believe all children deserve the right to a good education without discrimination, coercion, or ultimatums.

I really don't see this as a pro-vaccine or anti-vaccine debate but really an informed consent, parental rights, religious and medical freedom and education rights issue.

Please protect these rights for all Oregon families and vote no on HB 3063.

Thank you,  
Brian

**From:** [Bryce Ellis](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** Please oppose hb3063  
**Date:** Thursday, April 25, 2019 9:15:20 PM

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My name is Bryce Ellis from Canby Oregon and I oppose this bill HB 3063.

**From:** [C. Anderson](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** Voting NO on HB3063  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 23, 2019 8:39:16 PM

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To the Joint Subcommittee On Human Services ~

As a concerned Oregon parent, I am writing to ask you to oppose House Bill 3063. I am also opposed to both amendments proposed by Senator Steiner Hayward (amendments 18 and 49). The legislature should focus on the reasons immunizations are important and the safety of immunizations rather than forcing parents to immunize their children against their religious or philosophical concerns. Please vote no against House Bill 3063.

**From:** [Cameron Brennan](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** Fwd: No on HB 3036  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 23, 2019 7:59:35 PM

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My name is Cameron A C Brennan and I appose HB 3036.

HB 3036 is a violation of our personal, physical freedom. There are risks to vaccines. Period!  
Please, please, please vote NO on HB 3036! I am begging you!

See you tomorrow.

Cameron Brennan

**From:** [Cara Holmes](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** HB 3063 Testimony  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 23, 2019 8:57:17 PM

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Good Afternoon!

Thank you so much for your service to Oregon, and for taking the time to read this email. I was raised in Klamath County, lived in Corvallis and Philomath, and own a home in Albany with my husband. He and I both graduated from Oregon State University (Go Beavers!). Currently, we are living in Japan while he (active duty US Navy) completes a tour at MCAS Iwakuni.

**\*I apologize if this is arriving past the deadline! I sometimes have difficulty tracking the time difference! I'm writing in regard to HB 3063, and hope you will vote NO on this issue!\***

As many have stated before, the ingredients in vaccines are damaging. In fact, the Supreme Court deemed vaccines "unavoidably unsafe." I'll list just a few examples of harm. Aluminum is a known neurotoxin. Polysorbate 80 allows vaccine contents to penetrate the blood/brain barrier. One side effect of the MMR is an atypical form of measles (see vaccine insert). And of course, the vaccine injury court has paid more than 4 billion dollars to victims damaged by vaccines.

Vaccine production and ingredients are in direct violation to many philosophical and religious beliefs. Several vaccines also contain animal byproducts. The MMR and others were created with the use of tissue from aborted fetuses. This point is especially disturbing to me; I am resolutely pro-life and could not allow my child to benefit at such a huge cost to another child.

Furthermore, vaccines aren't effective. The MMR, for example, wears off. Immunization to HepB will not last until the infant reaches adolescence- the target stage. Our immune systems adapt when in contact with a natural disease; they grow stronger as a result, and those who contract wild measles are immune for life. Vaccines, however, weaken our natural immune system, causing us to be susceptible to other illnesses. (PS, have you known someone to come in contact with natural measles, mumps, and rubella all at once? Our bodies aren't prepared for this event.)

A better explanation can be found in this letter: <https://jennifermargulis.net/oregon-doctors-oppose-medical-mandates/>.

I do not believe the State is responsible for my children, or, for that matter, that it has their best interests at heart. Maybe the question legislators should ask is: why should vaccines be mandated in the first place?

Some argue that by failing to vaccinate a child, her parents are putting her health at risk. Even if this were the case, removing parental control is a dangerous precedent. Does this compare to a parent who smokes around her child? Smokes while pregnant? Feeds the child junk food? (What if the parent fed his child formaldehyde and/or mercury? These are two toxic ingredients common in vaccines.)

The public has been led to believe unvaccinated children pose a threat to the population. However, vaccines that "shed" are highly dangerous to the immunocompromised, infants, and the elderly, the very populations "herd immunity" is said to protect. Note: as I'm sure you're aware, "unvaccinated" means missing even just one vaccine dose according to whatever the current schedule deems necessary.

I appreciate the recent bills adopted by Texas, Idaho, and Arizona lawmakers, which encourage informed consent in vaccine administration. Councilwoman Nancy Barto, R-Phoenix, stated this:

"We are talking about a policy decision now for parents and we should attribute the best expectations on parents, not the worst." She compares current vaccine administrative procedures as "coercion," and goes on to note: "We are here to acknowledge vaccines have a place, but it's every parent's individual right to decide the vaccine's place in the child's life."^

I work hard to feed my children healthy, organic, unprocessed foods. I'm conscious of any chemicals that may be in their body products and environment. I feel disrespected that people believe I'm not intelligent enough to make sure my children are safe. I am disheartened that lawmakers believe they have the right to inject toxic substances into my children.

If you allow this testimony, THANK YOU!!

I hope you will continue to research these issues, read vaccine inserts, and study ingredients and side effects. Thank you for recognizing and supporting parents who only want the best for for children. Any removal of parent autonomy should not be taken lightly. Thank you so much for your attention to this matter, for taking time to read this email.

Respectfully,

Cara Holmes  
541.591.3911

Notes:

polysorbate 80- <https://www.learntherisk.org/news/polysorbate/>

\*Shedding- <https://www.cnn.com/2015/03/03/globe-newswire-public-health-officials-know-recently-vaccinated-individuals-spread-disease.html>

^Barto-<https://www.azcentral.com/story/news/local/arizona-health/2019/02/22/disregarding-warnings-arizona-lawmakers-move-forward-vaccine-exemptions/2942680002/?fbclid=IwAR0fo45Qwv0ypixWjkl8aLMFf2EEDD6oKGTszc6uSjaEaqE8c6qUuHsgr-E>



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**From:** [Carolyn Keeton](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** Vote NO on HB 3063  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 23, 2019 10:30:21 PM

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I am emailing to ask that all elected officials vote NO on this horrible bill. Forceful coercion like this is clearly medical tyranny. We need to stand up for American values like freedom and choice and put a stop to this. I am begging you to wake up and realize that this is WRONG. We need not be afraid of people who do not or cannot vaccinate. The "epidemics" that we are hearing about are not only happening among vaccinated individuals but they have not been deadly. I.E. there have been 2 deaths from measles in the United States in the last 15 years! In that time there have been nearly 100 times more deaths from the MMR vaccine, plus many more reactions. This is just one thing we need to look at to see things more clearly. Do not fall for the dear mongering. You must stand for our rights. I refuse to vote for any elected official who won't do that.

Thank you.

**From:** [Carrie Redfern](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** Public Testimony HB3063  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 23, 2019 8:19:29 AM

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To whom it may concern,

I am a health advocate and a concerned mother in Southern Oregon whose child will be impacted by your decision. My child is healthy and happy at her private Waldorf school. Her school will be severely financially impacted by your decision as well.

I oppose this bill because it is coercive, and as a parent of 10 years, I've found that education is more effective than coercion in achieving compliance. This applies to adults equally. I have been trained in health and the healing arts for over 20 years, and I do everything in my power to insure that my child is as healthy as possible and I strongly believe that medical decisions of this nature are not the jurisdiction of the state; they are a matter for our health care provider, myself and my child.

Since learning about HB3063, I have felt that the proposed Bill is unconstitutional and denies the rights of parents to make sound medical choices for their charges. As primary care for my child, no one knows her needs better than I do, including the State of Oregon. The right to make the healthiest medical decisions for her is mine, until she is 18. As a healthy, active, well rounded child, she has every right to the education of her choice, and not to be denied that education because of my choices. That, is discrimination.

It has come to my attention that there are several sections of the Oregon Constitution that could come into question in this bill, therefore, making it illegal. I am no expert on Oregon law, and I assume that the subcommittee for Human Services may be aware of this, but if that is not the case, I'll include that information here:

Section 3. Freedom of religious opinion.

Section 8. Freedom of speech and press.

Section 9. Unreasonable searches or seizures.

Section 20. Equality of privileges and immunities of citizens.

Section 26. Assemblages of people; instruction of representatives; application to legislature. Section 33.

Enumeration of rights not exclusive.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,  
Carrie Redfern  
Talent, OR 97540

**From:** [Carson Clews](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** testimony for HB3063  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 23, 2019 8:32:15 PM

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I oppose HB3063 and urge you to vote no on this horrible bill.

-Carson Clews  
Salem, OR

**From:** [Casey O'Keefe](#)  
**To:** [Sen Beyer](#); [Rep Nosse](#); [Sen Heard](#); [Sen Wagner](#); [Rep Hayden](#); [Rep Salinas](#); [Rep Schouten](#); [Rep Stark](#); [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** Re: HB 3063  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 23, 2019 7:51:02 AM

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Also as someone with a family history of a genetic predisposition to juvenile and rheumatoid arthritis how is the MMR vaccine unequivocally safe for my family? I have attached the scientific article for your review.

<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC5607155/>

Thanks,  
Casey O'Keefe

On Monday, April 22, 2019, Casey O'Keefe <[caseycokeefe@gmail.com](mailto:caseycokeefe@gmail.com)> wrote:

As an Oregonian homeowner who sends their children to public schools, I highly recommend you vote against House Bill 3063 should it come up for a vote. One of my children has sensory processing disorder/autism and I declined certain vaccinations for my second child based on my first and her diagnosis. I saw what happened to my child and I know that the "data" isn't there but as a mother you can't tell me I'm wrong. What is wrong, however, is denying my children the right to education, or social activities with peers. I pay taxes. I work here. This is not why I moved to Oregon years ago to pursue a better life for my family.

I am a huge believer in public education. I have a Master's degree and grew up in an affluent white suburb. I don't want my children to be homeschooled because I believe in community and I believe in investing in our community and I want them being around other children of different races and socioeconomic backgrounds. My children are extremely healthy according to their doctors and if they were to demonstrate any signs of a communicable disease I would keep them home. To be forced to homeschool because of the elimination of vaccines is absurd. Furthermore, it means that my husband and I both cannot work so one of us would have to stay at home to teach them. I want my children to be social and to live and to love and to have friends and build community and I have no other option if the vaccine exemption law is passed. Please represent ALL of us appropriately.

Best,  
Casey O'Keefe

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Casey O'Keefe

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Owner, Labor and Postpartum Doula  
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**From:** [Chad Darling](#)  
**To:** [Chad Darling](#)  
**Cc:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** Now this is a true emergency  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 23, 2019 7:51:50 PM

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An “emergency” of measles is what is driving this bill. Since when is 10 cases of measles an emergency?!?!

What we do have is a foster care system EMERGENCY!!! As a current foster parent of three foster kids, I urge you to take a stand. Stop wasting resources on HB3063 and join to fight the issues with our foster system. Make a statement, use your platform to publicly say “We do not have a low vaccination rate emergency, but what we do have is a foster care emergency being led by Kate Brown. I will oppose HB3063, so we can focus on this great state’s real emergency - our foster system. We will no longer waste resources on this bill and instead put them into fixing our foster care system for our innocent children that we are supposed to be protecting!!!!”

HB3063 is a gross overreach of government and is trying to address a problem we do not even have. Our immunization rates are above CDC’s recommended percentage for herd immunity.

**As a foster parent trying to help these children. Please stand with them and set the record straight as to what our true EMERGENCY is, our foster care system!!**

**OPPOSE HB3063!!!**

Chad Darling

**From:** [Jc C](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** HB 3063 Petition- 12,000+ Oregonians opposed  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 23, 2019 8:25:26 PM

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Please submit the following petition from [change.org](https://www.change.org) (link below) which has over 12,000 signatures from Oregonians who oppose HB 3063.

Dear Governor Brown and members of the Oregon Legislature,

As a diverse group of physicians, medical professionals, and parents from all over the state of Oregon, we are writing to you today with significant concern regarding the health and well being of our children in light of the current proposed legislation HB 3063. As healthcare and civic leaders, we recognize that an education is vital for all children to obtain, regardless of their parents' religious or philosophical beliefs.

In 1954 the Supreme Court ruled in the landmark case Brown vs. Board of Education that segregation of students was unconstitutional. They ruled specifically that "separate was not equal." This applies to the proposed legislation of HB 3063 in that this bill segregates students in who is and who is not allowed to obtain a public or private education.

Many of the families affected by this proposed legislation are minority and low-income/single parent homes. These families may not be able to focus their attention exclusively on home schooling their children, thereby leaving those children affected without a solid education.

Please be aware we are not anti-vaccine or anti-science, the majority of us have vaccinated both ourselves and our children. What we are against is any unconstitutional government intrusion into our medical and religious freedom that would prohibit children from obtaining their education.

This bill is an absolute affront to any one who values the belief that education is important for EVERY child to receive- regardless of race, ethnicity, religion, or system of beliefs.

Sincerely,

12,000+ Oregonians

individual names can be found at:

<https://www.change.org/p/oregonians-no-on-oregon-hb-3063>

**From:** [Charis Peters](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** Testimony - oppose HB 3063  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 23, 2019 8:11:55 PM

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Please vote NO on HB 3063. This is a huge government overstep as the bill is written. The recent “recommended amendments” from Steiner Hayward make it even worse. The issue should not extend to homeschoolers. This is only one step towards them being tracked and injections mandated in the future. Please respect families and keep our health decisions to ourselves! We have a right to choose what goes into our bodies, without being banned from society as a result. There is NOT a measles emergency. Let’s agree that this vaccine issue can be dropped as what it is - a private decision each family has a right to make for themselves. Informed consent for any medical procedure is a must. Have you looked into how many deaths occur because of medical error in the US each year? Before supporting this bill, I hope you will provide proof that many vaccinated or immune compromised children are falling ill and having permanent damage because of the unvaccinated among them. I am simply not seeing this.

Vaccines have not been tested against a placebo for a potential link to many health issues, like cancer. That should be a huge red flag to any lawmaker.

It seems obvious that the bottom line here is not care and concern for our children, but the profits of the pharmaceutical industry and governmental control. Please stand with us, and keep Oregon a safe place for freedom loving families, regardless of whether you are pro or anti vaccine. Vaccines should not be mandated, and homeschoolers should not be brought into this discussion.

Please consider the amendments from Thatcher and the issues she raises.

Thank you for your consideration, and hopefully an opposing vote.

Alex and Charis Peters  
Independence, OR

Sent from my iPhone

April 23, 2019

Dear Committee Members:

I am writing to tell you that **I oppose HB 3063**, the bill that removes the ability of a parent to decline required immunizations on behalf of a child for reason other than child's indicated medical diagnosis.

I am a mother and an Oregon resident. This is very important to me because this bill takes away our **medical freedom** as Oregon residents to choose what vaccinations we want our school age children to receive. I believe parents should retain their rights and medical freedom without being coerced.

It also takes away the **freedom for everyone to receive education** in our state regardless of philosophical or religious views. This is outright DISCRIMINATORY towards parents and children in the state of Oregon who have religious or philosophical views that oppose some or all vaccines.

**Here are facts to consider:**

- The [AAPS](#) (Association of American Physicians and Surgeons) released an article on February 26, 2019 also opposing state and federal mandated vaccines:  
*The Association of American Physicians and Surgeons (AAPS) strongly opposes federal interference in medical decisions, including mandated vaccines. After being fully informed of the risks and benefits of a medical procedure, patients have the right to reject or accept that procedure. The regulation of medical practice is a state function, not a federal one. **Governmental preemption of patients' or parents' decisions about accepting drugs or other medical interventions is a serious intrusion into individual liberty, autonomy, and parental decisions about child-rearing** (<https://aapsonline.org/measles-outbreak-and-federal-vaccine-mandates/>).*
- The American Medical Association, in section [9.133 Routine Universal Immunization of Physicians](#) of the AMA Code of Ethics, **affirm the right to both religious and philosophical exceptions** for themselves to decline vaccination (<https://journalofethics.ama-assn.org/article/ama-code-medical-ethics-opinion-physicians-responsibility-be-vaccinated/2012-01>).
- According to the Centers for Disease Control, [this year's measles outbreak nationwide so far is only 159 cases but 2011 saw 220 cases, 2014 had 667 and last year there were 372 reported cases](#) (<https://www.cdc.gov/measles/cases-outbreaks.html>). **THERE IS NO EMERGENCY.**

- According to the Oregon Health Authority, [95.8% of students in K-12 in Oregon have received 2 doses of MMR Vaccine](https://www.oregon.gov/oha/PH/PREVENTIONWELLNESS/VACCINESIMMUNIZATION/GETTINGIMMUNIZED/Documents/SchMeaslesRates.pdf) (<https://www.oregon.gov/oha/PH/PREVENTIONWELLNESS/VACCINESIMMUNIZATION/GETTINGIMMUNIZED/Documents/SchMeaslesRates.pdf>).

Please consider how this would affect children in Oregon who would be isolated from receiving public and private education.

Please consider how this would affect parents and pediatricians to freely make informed decisions about vaccines.

**Please stand with me for medical and educational freedom in the state of Oregon by opposing HB 3063.**

A concerned Oregon Resident,  
*Charissa Hatten*  
*Redmond, Oregon*

**From:** [Chelsea](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** personal testimony against HB 3063  
**Date:** Monday, April 22, 2019 2:55:03 PM

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Please hear us parents and those opposed to HB 3063. We are pro-vaccine and pro-choice. HB 3063 infringes on basic human rights, and it is major government overreach. We parents are informed and we are making the choices we believe to be the best for our family. We believe in good science. We are continually asking for a study with an unvaccinated vs. vaccinated patient population. We have weighed the odds, and have either experienced severe vaccine side effects or know someone who has experienced an adverse reaction. I personally have seen adverse reactions while working as a pediatric physical therapist, and saw first-hand the number of cases of severe autism with African American boys. In short, if you were assigned an African American boy, (prior to meeting him), you knew he would have severe autism. Every time. It became a known fact. That's why when William Thompson, a senior researcher at the CDC, was granted whistleblower status from President Obama, stating that the CDC forced him to remove critical data from his study that linked autism to African American boys under the age of three, it was absolutely bone-chilling to me. I saw it first-hand every day at work, and I knew it to be true based on personal experience.

We know and have abundant scientific studies that verify there are significant risks associated with vaccines, with a historical steady rise of chronic diseases, neurodevelopmental disorders, and other critical life-altering illnesses as the vaccine schedule grows exponentially. I have also seen vaccine injury with my oldest son, who had significant speech and language delay after following the recommended CDC schedule. He could not follow a two-step direction when he was 4, such as "please go get your shoes and bring them to me", and daily conversation and communication was an arduous if not impossible task. I also had a 2 year-old and a newborn at the time, so you can imagine that it was debilitating and very stressful for us. When we decided to stop vaccinating and do a heavy metal detox (vaccines contain mercury i.e. thimerosal, aluminum, and other toxic ingredients), it was as my husband described "the scales fell off his eyes", and my son's language just exploded. It was a dramatic change, and I felt like I had my son back, because suddenly he could communicate what he'd been "stuck" at trying to say for years. As a mom, this was equally wonderful and devastating, a shock that something deemed so "safe" for everyone, was indeed not safe for us.

There is significant risk involved to those who vaccinate, given just a simple evaluation of the toxic ingredients listed on the CDC website, or reading the vaccine inserts that should be provided with each vaccine administered, or evaluating the VAERS data where as of November 30, 2018, there have been more than [92,844](#) reports of just measles vaccine reactions, hospitalizations, injuries and deaths following measles vaccinations made to the federal [Vaccine Adverse Events Reporting System \(VAERS\)](#).

Knowing this should prevent us from ever mandating a liability-free pharmaceutical product. HB 3063 is trying to segregate kids and punish them for making informed choices and choosing what's right for their family, preventing them from having basic human rights to go to school (FAPE). This bill is against everything our country stands for. Washington voted no on their bill, SB 5841. Texas is proposing SB 2350 that would prohibit the administration of certain vaccines until they do true saline placebo safety studies proving they are safe, as well as requiring them to be tested for their potential to cause cancer, mutate genes, impair fertility, cause autism, as well as verifying that the chemical, pharmacological, therapeutic, and adverse effects of the vaccine have been studied and verified. Maine is also proposing a similar bill to Texas. Shouldn't this cause us to ask questions? Isn't about time we started listening?

Respectfully,

Chelsea Eland

Licensed Physical Therapist and mother of four

**From:** [Chelsea Wolfer](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** HB 3063 Testimony  
**Date:** Wednesday, April 24, 2019 12:30:39 PM

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Members of the committee,

As a mother, I diligently seek out the safest, most healthful products for my family. From food, to cosmetics and household products, I constantly read labels and ingredient lists. I research unknown ingredients to learn what they are and if they are safe for my family.

In 2015, Oregon legislators passed The Toxic Free Kids Act, requiring the Oregon Health Authority to create and maintain a list of chemicals of high concern to children. Their list includes formaldehyde and mercury, both of which are ingredients in vaccines given to children.

I'm not saying that I am opposed to vaccines. In fact, I chose to vaccinate my daughter. But the reality is vaccines contain chemicals that carry risk and the decision to incur a health risk by injecting chemicals into your body is not one that belongs to the state. I would never hand a medical power of attorney over to a team of bureaucrats and I am asking you to not do that for me.

Please vote no on HB 3063.

Sincerely,

Chelsea Wolfer

**From:** [Chelsey Huttinga](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** Hb3063  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 23, 2019 8:18:54 PM

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Dear Committee members, I'm writing to urge you to kill Hb3063. As a mother of three children who are on IEPs I'm extremely concerned about the implications this bill will have on their education. The services and benefits they receive are not possible to replace online nor are the benefits they receive from being in a classroom of their peers, not to mention the richness they add to their classroom and the important lessons their classmates learn from their presence there. Taking them out of the classroom and isolating them as if they are third rate citizens is disgusting and as anti tolerance, anti progress, anti love, and anti American as I can imagine. Is this really where we are as a society here in Oregon, back to being so fearful that we segregate and incite hate. My disabled children have a right to a fair and appropriate education and it breaks my heart and disgusts me that legislators in our state want to rob them of that. Please vote no on HB3063!

Thank you for your time,  
Chelsey Huttinga

**From:** [jc hamann](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#); [Sen Beyer](#); [Rep Nosse](#); [Sen Heard](#); [Sen Wagner](#); [Rep Hayden](#); [Rep Salinas](#); [Rep Schouten](#); [Rep Stark](#)  
**Subject:** Please vote NO on HB 3063 and any amendments  
**Date:** Monday, April 22, 2019 4:12:30 PM

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I am writing to share my concerns about HB 3063. As a retired Fire Captain, I believe vaccines have an place in our society for those who wish to receive them. I also feel that this bill is an overreach of government. I do not know of any adults that are fully vaccinated. Do you realize that you will need 19 vaccinations yourself?

Restricting children from ANY type of school, especially online school, because they are missing ONE vaccination is far too restrictive. In addition, as you know, these children would be automatically expelled from school - regardless if they are in pre-school, kindergarten, or a senior in high school with only weeks before graduation.

The medical exemptions to not vaccinate are nearly impossible to obtain, so families who have had children with severe vaccine reactions and/or the genetic predisposition to possible severe reactions, would struggle to qualify under the overly strict guidelines.

Most importantly, this bill infringes on Oregonians' right to medical freedom and choice. (One of the reasons I am proud to live in our state/country is that we are a democracy and are afforded rights/choices). As it currently is written, this bill would be a step in slowly chipping away at our freedom of medical choice.

In fact, in a recent letter to the Senate Committee on Health, Education Labor and Pensions (dated February 26, 2019), the Association of American Physicians and Surgeons recognizes and addresses their concerns about governmental "interference in medical decisions, including mandated vaccines:" Specifically, they stated:

"After being fully informed of the risks and benefits of a medical procedure, patients have the right to reject or accept that procedure...Governmental preemption of patients' or parents' decisions about accepting drugs or other medical interventions is a serious intrusion into individual liberty, autonomy, and parental decisions about child-rearing."

In my opinion HB3063 - if passed as it is currently written - would be a "serious intrusion" in the rights of all Oregonians to medical freedom and choice. I strongly urge you to oppose HB 3063 and protect the freedom of your fellow Oregonians.

Sincerely,

Cheryl Hamann  
Eugene, OR

[Sent from Yahoo Mail on Android](#)

**From:** [Chris Moen](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** NO HB3063  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 23, 2019 10:33:31 AM

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I absolutely do not support coerced injections. Or any type of coerced medical care. My wife and I know what is best for our child. We do not need government officials stepping in where they're not needed. There is no measles dilemma, the mumps portion of the MMR is ineffective and there's no choice of single vaccines. Until safety studies are released and manufacturers are held responsible for their faulty products, I'm not willing to take a chance with my son's life. Some people are willing to take that chance, and I'm not one to tell them not to, but I'm not one of those people.

Chris Moen

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** [Christen prudence](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** No on HB 3063  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 23, 2019 6:43:42 PM

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Dear Senators and Representatives of our great state of Oregon,  
I urge you to oppose HB 3063 and any of its amendments. This bill is not in line with the freedom that our country of the United States of America was founded on, nor the values of the Oregonian people. It is a civil right to informed consent to accept any medical procedures.

All vaccines pose a risk, there is no one-size-fits-all standard to healthcare. It is up to each individual to educate themselves on the benefits and risks prior to accepting any medical procedure, and vaccines is one of them.

Any adverse reaction incurred would be up to the individual to assume liability and financial responsibility for, as vaccine companies are protected against lawsuit. If there is a risk, then there is a right to choose.

My medical history contains a genetic mutation and family history of autoimmune disease, which are both contraindications according to the CDC, yet neither are included as reasons for medical exemptions in Oregon.

Vaccines contain heavy metals, known carcinogens, foreign DNA from animals and aborted fetal cells, as well as other known toxins. Instead of mandating vaccines, we should focus on making them safe.

I already homeschool my children, but if mandatory vaccines go into effect and our family is ostracized and discriminated against because of it, I will not hesitate to relocate out of the state, or even out of the country, if necessary, to stand up for what I believe in and protect my family against known dangers.

Please protect our civil liberties and medical freedom. I urge you to kill this bill.

Sincerely,  
Christen Prudence  
68404 E Huckleberry Dr  
Welches, OR 97067

**From:** [Sonja Grabel](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** Testimony Against HB 3063  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 23, 2019 8:28:52 PM

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Dear Chair and Committee,

My name is Christy Thompson, from Beaverton and I am a public school educator. I have taught grades 1-2 but for the past 8 years I have been in kindergarten with a front row seat to increasing health issues. It first started with fine motor skills issues and the lack of core strength presumably due to increased use of technology and less time outside playing and being active. However, over the past several years I have seen an increase in behavior problems and mental health issues. More students are “wowing” out and demonstrating aggressive and dangerous behaviors. Teachers or schools are not equipped properly address these issues but are still expected to teach and educate each and every one. Each and every student has the right to a free public education. As a public educator I am not allowed to barr a child from my classroom because they are miss-behaving or even if they are hurting me or my students....they still have the right to a free public education. It is my job to give each child the tools they need to be successful in life and in school. It is unethical to withhold their right to education. It is unethical to tell someone what they should/must put into their bodies and worse with hold a right from them if they refuse. My job as an educator is to teach reading, writing and math of course but it is also my job to instill a sense of what is right and what is wrong. And telling someone what to do for a false sense of securing is wrong. Educating about being healthy, having good hygiene, getting exercise, standing up for yourself and what you believe in is right. Having the right to a free public education is a right and should not be taken away or held hostage.

Christy Thompson

**From:** [Clara Johnson](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** Testimony for HB3063  
**Date:** Wednesday, April 24, 2019 8:08:30 AM

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I am a mother of a soon to be Kindergartener and a small business owner. I am also a registered democrat. I am an advocate for women's rights, especially reproductive rights. Like most democrats, I believe in a woman's right to choose what is or is not done to her body. And my belief is that bodily autonomy translates to any gender or age. And in this case, I also believe the burden of responsibility for this choice falls squarely on the parents for their children, under the guidance of their physicians.

Please oppose HB3063. It strips fundamental human rights and for no effective community gain. It simply places a minority population, another facet of society that I was taught and believe needs our advocacy, under unnecessary hardship. I am among the 31,000 families that will be directly impacted by this bill. Our family has decided that we can no longer live in Oregon should this bill pass. We would move our family and both of our small businesses out of the state. We amply contribute to our community and state, both on a civic and fiscal level.

I feel it's important to share our narrative so you have a clear understanding of who this ultimately impacts. It may not be who you think.

Our son got into, what I believe is, one of the most progressive and diverse public charter schools in Portland (starting in the fall). We chose this school because we believe it is our responsibility to raise a conscious, empathic, critically thinking person. We want our son to be an advocate for the underserved members of our community. We want him to learn about the systemic racial and gendered issues that we are fighting to support (particularly in our party) and that I think you are fighting to support too.

I believe we probably share most of your values. Equal pay, education, healthcare, social services, and gun control. Passing this bills trades in on those shared values. We can't live here, send our son to this amazing school, continue to work hard for Oregon and our community and build on what we're all working on if you pass this bill.

HB3063 will critically effect 31,000+ Oregonians and I fear have none of the intended results you believe this bill will achieve.

Please.

Oppose HB3063 and let us continue the meaningful work to build and support our community.

Respectfully,

Clara Johnson

**From:** [Crystal Arnold](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** HB3063 vote NO  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 23, 2019 10:13:01 AM

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Hi, Please vote NO on the HB3063, I strongly oppose mandatory medical vaccinations. Because of the lack of informed consent, and the dangerous ingredients and effects of the vaccines I do NOT support this bill. Requiring mandatory invasive medical procedures such as vaccines for access to education (even homeschooling) is not only a dangerous precedent, it also also contrary to our values as a democratic country.

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Crystal  
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## Testimony House Bill 3063

Please vote no on House Bill 3063. This bill eliminates philosophical and religious exemption, removing a parents ability to decline or even delay childhood vaccinations. The bill specifies it will exclude non-vaccinated children from attending any school-related activities, events, or meetings in which the same physical space is shared. This is discrimination and is similar to black and white segregation we experienced in the past, and what New York is experiencing today.

There are 31,525 children in Oregon with a non-medical exemption for one or all vaccines. This bill, if passed, has the potential to close schools down. The fiscal impact cannot be determined, it is unknown how many parents and/or teachers will force vaccinate their child, or how many will refuse. Parents and teachers will have to quit their jobs to stay home and homeschool their children. Oregon's rate of children with a non-medical exemption for all vaccines is at a very low 2.6%, so this bill is not about herd immunity. This can only be about money.

This bill abolishes informed consent and puts Oregon Health Authority and Big Pharma in between children and their doctors. This bill is vague and extreme. Forcing an injection upon a child so that they may attend school or enter public spaces ignores personal freedom and personal autonomy, and a child's right to public education.

Vaccines might be effective, but we do not know if it is a safe product. Vaccines do not go through the same Gold Standard double blind placebo study that all medications are required to go through. Vaccine manufacturers are protected from liability, you cannot sue them for a defected product.

I am a Registered Nurse with my bachelor's in nursing and public health certification. The measles outbreak is not an emergency. The only emergency I see is the ever-growing list of those injured by vaccines. Concerned parents question the CDC's recommended 72 vaccines that an 18-year-old would receive. Instead of listening to their concerns, they are silenced, mocked, and threatened.

I was personally injured by MMR and dTap and I do not wish that on my daughter, I will not play Russian roulette to see if she experiences the same reaction. I moved out of California due to their vaccine laws, and I will move out of Oregon if I have to. Please vote no on House Bill 3063. Thank you

Crystal Shaw RN, BSN, PHN

My name is Cynthia Lauinger. I am writing to tell you that I am opposed to HB 3063.

I do not have children and have never had to make medical decisions for a child before. However, I feel that this bill is very extreme. Parents and doctors should be able to decide what is best for each specific child. No one should EVER be subjected to forced vaccinations. It is very important to honor exemptions for religious reasons as our country is supposed to stand for cultural and religious freedom. By passing this bill, you will be violating people's basic human rights with complete disregard for their religious, cultural, and medical differences.

It was not so long ago that some states forced vaccinations on both children and adults. Citizens who were minorities or who were seen as "mental defects" were even sterilized against their will. This practice was referred to as "eugenics" and occurred as recently as the 1920s! With the draconian measures within this bill will move us backwards in time. Forcing vaccinations on people will only serve to increase mistrust toward the government. Consent of our bodies is of the utmost importance.

I usually vote along party lines and have always voted for Democrats or Green Party Candidates. However, if this bill passes I will be changing that pattern. I will look to support Republicans that have chosen to stand up for our most basic freedoms.

This bill has turned some cases of measles into a way to spread fear and misinformation. We should NEVER make laws based on fear. We should choose reason and use extreme care before passing such extreme legislation. You should seriously reconsider this bill. If it is passed it will be a blight on Oregon's history. We will all regret it.

**From:** [Margaret Sexty](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** HB 3063  
**Date:** Monday, April 22, 2019 11:47:21 PM

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Thank you for thinking about the following  
The Science is NOT settled

Per:

<https://www.merckmanuals.com/professional/infectious-diseases/immunization/measles,-mumps,-and-rubella-mmr-vaccine>

"The measles, mumps, and rubella (MMR) vaccine effectively protects against all 3 infections. "

It does not say it protects against the virus, just the infection which to me means symptoms. Seems like if exposed after vaccination the wild virus will find it's cell host and incubate until it destroys the host cell and then be a virus cell living in the person with no place to go and finish it's cycle. It just becomes a rogue cell trying to do it's job. Since the immune system already reacted to something similar when vaccinated, does the immune system even recognize it or does it continually keep trying to multiply causing the body to be out of whack? It's usually not just one virus cell that invades. So, vaccinated people could be host to hundreds of rogue virus cells. Something to ponder.

Since the MMR vaccine only targets the Measles, Mumps and Rubella infections, what happens to the Rubeola, Mumps and Rubella original viruses that created the infections?

Virus

--an infective agent that typically consists of a nucleic acid molecule in a protein coat, is too small to be seen by light microscopy, and is able to multiply only within the living cells of a host.

Infectious diseases are usually caused by microorganisms that invade the body and multiply. After invading the body, microorganisms must multiply to cause infection. After multiplication begins, one of three things can happen:

Microorganisms continue to multiply and overwhelm the body's defenses.

A state of balance is achieved, causing chronic infection.

The body—with or without medical treatment—destroys and eliminates the invading microorganism.

Invasion by most microorganisms begins when they adhere to cells in a person's body.

Adherence is a very specific process, involving "lock-and-key" connections between the microorganism and cells in the body. Being able to adhere to the surface of a cell enables microorganisms to establish a base from which to invade tissues.

Disease: Illness or sickness characterized by specific signs and symptoms

<https://www.merckmanuals.com/professional/infectious-diseases/viruses/overview-of-viruses?query=rubeola%20virus>

Because RNA transcription does not involve the same error-checking mechanisms as DNA transcription, RNA viruses, particularly retroviruses, are particularly prone to mutation. For infection to occur, the virus first attaches to the host cell at one or one of several receptor molecules on the cell surface. The viral DNA or RNA then enters the host cell and separates from the outer cover (uncoating) and replicates inside the host cell in a process that requires specific enzymes. The newly synthesized viral components then assemble into a complete virus particle. The host cell typically dies, releasing new viruses that infect other host cells. Each step of viral replication involves different enzymes and substrates and offers an opportunity to interfere with the process of infection.

<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC4997572/>

**From:** [Wendy Sumner](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** HB 3063 testimony  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 23, 2019 4:39:35 PM

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Dear HB 3063 Legislative Team;

I am writing in strong opposition to *HR 3063: Relating to health care; declaring an emergency*. Any ruling that carries inherent risk, (more so within the medical field-I have worked in this area almost 30 years) cannot be mandated. We are given 'informed consent' for medical procedures... our signatures are mandatory. Some MD's I have worked with do not vaccinate their children-they did the research-and decided to opt out. We have the right, and moral responsibility to make the best decisions for ourselves and our children. The 'State' should not be allowed to take that away.

I began researching vaccines in the early 1980's around the birth of my son. This led to a decision to not vaccinate, although my son had already received two rounds, with quite severe reactions. The vaccine information was not easy to locate (no internet) but thankfully, there was enough valid information available to help with my decision. A few of my siblings also decided to not vaccinate, based on their observations, and their providers suggestion, as their children also had severe reactions. A step-sister has two sons who both developed seizures from vaccines. Sadly, I lost a nephew to the DPT shot during that time frame (after I had decided to not vaccinate). They won their law suit-but never held their son again. Totally horrific, and totally preventable.

Vaccines are neither 'safe' nor 'effective' for 100% of the population. (I can't think of *one* medical procedure or product that is safe for all). There is an overwhelming amount of information available on vaccine injuries and death if one chooses to investigate. There does not exist one government study to compare the health of vaccinated vs. unvaccinated children, nor any safety study on any vaccine, and certainly not on the multiple injections and adjuvants given at the same time.

Those who have a vested interest in the pharmaceutical companies should in no way be allowed to make decisions to their benefit. They make the vaccines...and they also hold the patents for the medications to 'treat' the injuries. That these corporations are protected from liability is incredible...Where else does a government mandate a product's use, but removes all liability from its source?

Again, I strongly request that you vote against this resolution, and any amendment that would interfere with our God given rights', and against the Constitution that guarantees freedom from government overreach.

Sincerely-

Wendy Sumner  
655 NE Burnett Rd. #89  
McMinnville, OR 97128

**From:** [Yana Leonchik](#)  
**Cc:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#); [Sen Beyer](#); [Rep Nosse](#); [Sen Heard](#); [Sen Wagner](#); [Rep Hayden](#); [Rep Salinas](#); [Rep Schouten](#); [Rep Stark](#)  
**Subject:** Portland, OREGON  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 23, 2019 7:29:28 PM

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Dear Representative ,

I am asking you to oppose HB 3063. This bill is discriminatively designed to exclude children from access public education in Oregon by requiring they comply with all vaccinations on the OHA schedule. This is a medical decision that belongs in the hands of parents and their chosen doctors only. Parents are the only unpaid person in a child's life who makes all decisions based purely on love and devotion to the well being of their child. This sacred bond should not be usurped by the government in exchange for public education.

I am personally distressed by this bill as many thousands of Oregonians are right now. My 2 children would be deprived of public education and all it entails if this bill passes as written. 31,000- 36,000 children have non-medical exemptions in Oregon right now, and the vast majority of them will not comply with vaccine mandates, but instead will pull their children out of schools.

Tens of thousands of children being withdrawn from public schools will have a significant financial impact on school districts throughout the state of Oregon.

Parents being forced to homeschool their children, with no financial support from the state is criminal. Not only are they being punished for making their own medical decisions, they are being forced to remove one parent from the workforce to educate their own children at home, and in isolation. This is a financial loss for all parties concerned.

We are in a stable health situation in Oregon and in the USA as a whole in terms of communicable diseases. Measles or a similar infectious disease is not in the top 100 causes of childhood deaths in the USA Today.

There is NO PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY: 268 cases of measles, with 0 deaths, in a country of 326,766,748 people is not an emergency.

At the height of measles infections in the USA when over 90% of children would get measles in their childhood, the death rate was between 1 in 6,000 and 1 in 10,000.

Worldwide the death rate of measles continues to be an issue, due to malnutrition and the lack of Vitamin A. Malnutrition causes measles deaths, not measles alone.

We do have many health crises in the USA, childhood diabetes, autism, asthma, adhd, suicide and many more.

Infectious disease is simply NOT THE ISSUE FOR OUR TIMES in the USA.

This bill is rather aimed at exerting governmental control over the individual, and usurping parental rights.

JOIN ME AND thousands of families and VOTE NO ON HB 3063.

Yana

Portland, Oregon

**From:** [Mikhail Grigoryev](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** Oppose house bill 3063  
**Date:** Wednesday, April 24, 2019 1:53:17 PM

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To Whom It May Concern,  
Please vote NO on HB 3063.  
Thank you,  
Yelena Grigoryev

Sent from my Huawei Mobile

**From:** [Yelena Zimin](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** Stop mandatory vaccines bill  
**Date:** Wednesday, April 24, 2019 11:30:10 AM

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**I am Zimin Yelena B. Oppose Bill on mandatory vaccines Because:**

Medical professionals, experts and parents have done extensive research, and after doing their own investigation they have concluded that it is better to vaccinate selectively, or on a different schedule, or even not at all. What you will find is that unvaccinated children are far more healthy, robust and even smarter than their vaccinated peers. Read through our [vaccine free](#) section to learn more about why we can live without vaccines and why unvaccinated children and adults are not a threat to society.

I know family whose child suffered from vaccines. So please let ipeople be able to select on free will!!!

Thank you!!!

**From:** [Trevor Ott](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** HB3063  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 23, 2019 8:07:01 AM

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Please vote no on HB3063. Though I am pro vaccine, I am against the loss of individual freedom. My children do not belong to the state.

My best,  
Trevor Ott

Sent from my iPad

**From:** [Tynan Pierce](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** In Opposition to HB3063 - Mandatory Vaccine Bill  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 23, 2019 7:46:43 PM

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To Members of the Oregon House of Representatives,

I am writing to express my firm Opposition to the HB3063 the Mandatory Vaccine Bill.

In short, where there is risk there must be choice.

While many vaccines are considered to be safe, they are not without risk of injury. Every person whether they be parent or child or single adult deserves the right to medical freedom and the freedom over their own bodies.

To make the extremely strict and aggressive CDC vaccine schedule mandatory in order to attend school and public functions is wrong and in opposition to basic civil rights. Furthermore, to restrict families from the services that they pay for with their taxes based on religious, philosophical, or medical reasons is greatly discriminatory.

As a Oregon resident, father of two young children, and taxpayer I ask that each and every member vote NO on this bill.

Sincerely,  
Tynan Pierce  
zip code 97128

**From:** [Valerie Van Hess](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** HB 3063 Testimony  
**Date:** Monday, April 22, 2019 9:11:09 PM

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Dear HB 3063 Legislators,

I am a concerned mother and Oregon resident. HB 3063 is a government overreach. I understand those who support this bill want to ensure the safety of other children in the community. That's not such a terrible thing but what happens when the new wave of politicians come in who are far more progressive and want to start mandating vaccines on adults? What happens when they begin mandating vaccines on you? Are you ok with that?

Vaccines are important but mandating 54 on our children who have no voice or say in this matter is unethical. Especially, when no study has ever been completed on all recommended CDC vaccines together. No inert blind placebo test has ever taken place. Is your conscience clear in passing this piece of legislation mandating a product that has never been properly safety tested? Would you take a drug approved by the FDA that simply went through a safety study of several weeks instead of 5-10 years? The majority of people would not, yet we find ourselves as parents in this exact predicament.

What are legislators doing to ensure all children are safe? Why are we not demanding congress to hold the pharmaceutical companies accountable for their vaccine products? This would not be a controversial topic and more parents would be willing to vaccinate if Oregon legislators demanded and put forth legislation for third party testing and further research of how all 54 vaccines affects a child's health.

My hope is that legislators on both sides of the aisle will come together and vote no on HB 3063.

Sincerely,  
A pro-vaccine safe mother - Valerie Van Hess

**From:** [Vanessa Sheets](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** HB 3063 Testimony  
**Date:** Monday, April 22, 2019 1:13:03 PM

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Dear Oregon Legislators,

As a former health journalist and public health Community Educator, I've had the opportunity to interview some of the leading medical experts in the world on chronic illness, which is now skyrocketing in the US. Over 80% of our healthcare dollars are now spent treating chronic illness and over 43% of our children are now diagnosed with AT LEAST 1 of 20 chronic illnesses, mostly autoimmune and neuroimmune disorders like type 1 diabetes, juvenile arthritis, anaphylactic food allergies, learning disabilities, anxiety, speech delays, and autism. This is up from 12% in the 80s, prior to the 1986 Act that removed financial liability from the pharmaceutical companies for vaccine injury and the schedule exploded from 23 doses to 72-and-counting and the vaccine market from a few hundred million to over \$35 Billion.

House bill 3063 will not increase vaccination rates in the 5.2% of Oregon students K-12 missing one or more of the 31 required doses. These parents know the serious safety and legal issues with these liability-free vaccines:

1. The [CDC Vaccine Information Statement](#) states that MMR, MMRV, and Varicella vaccines are contraindicated for anyone who has a parent, brother, or sister with a history of immune system problems. This means that not only are the skyrocketing number of children who are diagnosed autoimmune and neuroimmune disorders contraindicated- but their siblings are as well. Our public health departments are declining medical exemptions to contraindicated children based on family history. **What parent in their right mind would allow multiple doses of multiple liability-free vaccines administered to their contraindicated child who is at an increased risk of a developing a debilitating permanent injury?**
2. HB 3063 sponsors cite the Clark County, WA measles cases for their compelling reason for the bill, yet in WA state, [measles mortality](#) ranged from 1 to 4 annually 1959 to 1967, and dropped to zero fatalities in 1968, 12 years before school requirements and before the MMR vaccine was in wide use in the 1970's.
3. [Merck is currently on trial](#) in federal court for fraud regarding their MMR vaccine, accused by two of their own scientists.
4. Senior Research [Scientist Dr. William Thompson](#) turned whistleblower in 2014 regarding fraud committed in 2004 in CDC MMR safety study.
5. [Dr.'s Kelley and Zimmerman of John Hopkins University](#), top pediatric neurologists, have recently testified under oath that some children can have adverse reactions to vaccination that lead to lifelong neurological disorders.
6. Robert F. Kennedy Jr., of Children's Health Defense, has recently filed a [fraud complaint with the DOJ inspector general](#) against the DOJ attorneys involved in cover-up and misrepresentations in the Omnibus Autism Proceedings (OAP).
7. The rubella portion of the MMR contains [fetal DNA fragments](#) which many oppose for religious, philosophical, moral, and scientific reasons, including the danger of [insertional mutagenesis, autoimmune reactions, and more](#).
8. This bill is driven by concern over measles, but because there is no single-measles vaccine, only Merck's controversial trivalent MMR, it's requiring parents to choose a flawed and potentially fraudulent product.

9. The measles portion of Merck's [MMR does not confer lifetime immunity](#). The vaccination rate for measles in the US has been stable or increasing over the last 20 years and Oregon has [extremely high MMR rates](#) across all counties. What has changed is that Americans that have had measles (which confers lifetime immunity) are being replaced by those vaccinated with MMR (which does not typically confer lifetime immunity). MMR produces no immunity in 2% to 10% of vaccinees and, according to the CDC and FDA, 22 years after two doses of MMR approximately 33% of vaccinees are again potentially susceptible to measles. The proportion after 30 years is even higher. Yet, the only focus is on children whose parents have reason to believe the MMR may cause them harm, while ignoring the foregoing issues with the MMR vaccine in the vaccinated population.
10. [Less than 1%](#) of all vaccine reactions are reported to the Vaccine Adverse Event Reporting System.
11. At a [press conference](#) following the House hearing of HB 1638, Swedish Hospital pediatrician Dr. Rupin Thakkar admitted that because we lack an adequate reporting system "we really don't have statistics about who dies from the vaccine."
12. The following are MMR vaccine injuries on the [Federal Vaccine Injury Table](#) that qualify for compensation without going through "Vaccine Court": Anaphylaxis, Encephalopathy or encephalitis, Vasovagal syncope, Chronic arthritis, Thrombocytopenic purpura, Vaccine-Strain Measles Viral Disease.
13. Side effects listed in [Merck's MMR package insert](#). FDA requires all adverse reactions with PLAUSIBLE connection to the product to be listed. FDA does not require Merck to investigate these: For the body as a whole: panniculitis, atypical measles, fever, syncope, headache, dizziness, malaise. For the cardiovascular system: vasculitis, which means inflammation of the blood vessels that could lead to stroke. For the digestive system: pancreatitis, diarrhea, vomiting, parotitis, and nausea. For the endocrine system: diabetes mellitus. For the hemic and lymphatic system: thrombocytopenia, purpura, regional lymphadenopathy, and leukocytosis. For the immune system: anaphylaxis and anaphylactoid, related phenomena such as angioneurotic edema (including peripheral or facial edema) and bronchial spasm. For the musculoskeletal system, there is arthritis, arthralgia, and myalgia. For the nervous system, Merck lists encephalitis, encephalopathy, measles inclusion body encephalitis (MIBE), subacute sclerosing panencephalitis (SSPE), Guillain-Barré Syndrome (GBS), acute disseminated encephalomyelitis (ADEM), transverse myelitis, febrile convulsions, afebrile convulsions or seizures, ataxia, polyneuritis, polyneuropathy, ocular palsies, and paresthesia. For the respiratory system: pneumonia, pneumonitis, sore throat, cough, rhinitis. For the skin: Stevens-Johnson syndrome, erythema multiforme, urticaria, rash, measles-like rash, and pruritis. For the ears, Merck lists nerve deafness and otitis media. Deafness? For the eyes, the company lists retinitis, optic neuritis, papillitis, retrobulbar neuritis, and conjunctivitis. For the urogenital system, there is epididymitis and orchitis. And last but not least: death.
14. Vaccinated are more likely to spread infections. The goal of preventing the spread of infections is also, at present, best accomplished by excluding vaccinated children from school.
15. According to the FDA, those vaccinated with DTaP will have less symptoms but will become infected and transmit pertussis for as long as the unvaccinated, and because DTaP generates defective immunity, "will be more susceptible to pertussis throughout their lifetimes." Meaning, the children vaccinated for pertussis are more likely to remain in school and spread pertussis while the unvaccinated child with pertussis will have symptoms and know to stay home.
16. Children vaccinated or not vaccinated with inactivated polio vaccine can equally become infected and transmit polio; but, it is the vaccinated that are considered less likely to have

symptoms and hence more likely to spread polio.

17. The chicken pox vaccine can shed chicken pox virus for six weeks after vaccination but vaccinated children are not excluded from school during the shedding period; obese individuals shed influenza A virus for up to 104% longer, yet are not excluded; and most adults do not follow the adult vaccine schedule, yet are not excluded.

Please oppose house bill 3063 that does not protect anyone other than the pharmaceutical companies for their liability-free pharmaceutical product line for which many of our children are contraindicated and would be forced out of school through no fault of their own or their parents.'

All four manufacturers of all 72 liability-free vaccines are convicted felons who have paid over \$35 Billion over the past decade in civil and criminal penalties for bribing, extorting, and lying to doctors and defrauding regulators to promote their pharmaceutical products. Not one of the 72 mandated vaccines has ever been properly safety tested against inert placebos and no one on earth knows their risk profile.

Thank you,  
Vanessa Cardui  
Former Health Journalist and public health Community Educator  
Oregon Informed Parent

**From:** [Yelena Zimin](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** Stop Mandatory Vaccines Bill  
**Date:** Wednesday, April 24, 2019 2:28:13 PM

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Hello! I am Veniamin Kuznetsov N. My e-mail [Kuznetsovvenia@yahoo.com](mailto:Kuznetsovvenia@yahoo.com)  
And I ask you, please hear people's voice! Please give us a free will to choose vaccines or  
refuse vaccines! I understand some people where saved by vaccines, but the other where  
injured and still suffering. We ask you, PLEASE leave the choice for us!  
My e-mail [Kuznetsovvenia@yahoo.com](mailto:Kuznetsovvenia@yahoo.com)  
Thank you!

**From:** [Veronica Darling](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** HB3063  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 23, 2019 5:59:46 PM

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Committee Members,

My name is Veronica Darling. No doubt your staffers and aides have heard from me many many times in the last month or so. I have also been by each of your offices in Salem, once on the morning of the hearing for HB3063 to hand deliver our typed out testimonies and once to hand deliver flowers to you in the hopes that you would acknowledge that vaccine Injury is real.

You have already heard my concerns about how this legislation will impede informed consent, how I believe it will deny over 30,000 children their right to a Free and Appropriate Public Education. You've heard how this measure is a violation of IDEA. You've heard that teachers will be laid off because of shrinking classroom sizes. You've know that there are vaccine manufacturer whistleblowers waiting to be deposed before Congress. You're aware that this bill will lead to much financial hardship for middle class families. You've seen the data that our herd immunity rates are excellent. You know the Vaccine Module System is already working. I'm sure you're aware that there is no actual health crisis due to the fact that we are literally not experiencing a health crisis in Oregon. So, what else can I share with you that would give you pause enough to vote NO on HB3063?

All I can share is my son's story and the ways these vaccine mandates will impact my family.

We moved here from CA 3 years ago following the vaccine mandates in CA(SB277). I am a mother of 4 children. We have 4 children and are currently foster parents of 3 more. They all range from 5 to 13 in age currently. My oldest son Connor, for whom I left a flower in your vase, has a genetic predisposition to Vaccine Injury. He was fully vaccinated on schedule per CDC and AAP guidelines. Post vaccination(every time) he would get a high fever, an unnaturally high pitched scream, double ear infections, and asthma attacks. We would then have to have him on fever reducers(both acetaminophen and ibuprofen) around the clock, prednisone, an inhaler, antibiotics and a nebulizer for weeks. He did not meet his milestones in a timely manner and was found to be more and more delayed after each vaccination. Finally at age 5, after having received all of his required immunizations for kindergarten, his pediatrician, in search of the reason as to why he was responding so poorly to injections, had him tested for genetic mutations relating to his ability to methylate and remove toxins from his body. What we found is that Connor, and children like him, cannot swiftly clean his system of the adjuvants in vaccines. They were pooling in his brain and causing inflammation. He was

diagnosed with Austin's Spectrum Disorders at 7. He was also diagnosed with Sensory Processing Disorder, Anxiety, OCD, and depression. I tell you this so you will understand my hesitancy to vaccinate fully and on schedule. Therefore, HB363 will leave my family no choice but to leave Oregon. I will not be swayed in my decision to prioritize informed consent. As we leave the state, you will be traumatizing my own 4 children and our 3 foster children further. We are currently waiting to hear if we can adopt these kiddos. But, there is no way for me to homeschool my kids and provide for them the type of education they deserve while I am also being the type of dedicated foster mother that I have been. I use the time all of my kids are at school to facilitate visitation for my foster children, to drive them to their many doctors appointments or therapies. I use that time to have meetings with their case workers and lawyers and CASA. I use the time that they are at school to connect with my support team and network, who give me the help and stamina I need in my role as Foster Mom. Without that crucial time I will no longer be able to fulfill my duties and as such, the three children I have been loving so well will be forced to leave our home. Where will they go? We became foster parents and opened our home to keep them out of a hotel with a social worker because there are no extra homes available. What steps are in place to catch the children who will become collateral damage in your efforts to punish parents who are "non compliant" with your Big Pharm Lobbyists agendas. The scope and fall out of this legislation is far reaching. Please consider all of this as you prepare for your work session tomorrow. My family is not unique. There are so many of us out here and all we want is the freedom to continue living peacefully as we have been doing, working and contributing to this place we love so much. HB3063 is not the right legislation for Oregonians.

Please oppose.

Sincerely,

Veronica Darling

Happy Valley

[\(562\)298-3505](tel:(562)298-3505)

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** [Wendi](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** Oppose HB 3063  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 23, 2019 9:13:55 PM

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Please vote against HB 3063. Government should not be dictating medical procedures on our children.

My teen children are mostly vaccinated. We do not participate in flu or HPV.

We feel to participate in vaccines should be a choice based on risk vs benefit, and what fits each of us. We are not a one-size fits all people. Some cannot medically handle vaccines or need a slower schedule. As parents this should be a decision between us and our doctors on what fits best for our children.

Simply but... vaccines do come with risk. When risk is present, shouldn't there also be a choice?

Thank you for your time and in advance in voting for the people. All people.

Wendi Barber

**From:** [Lara O](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** Hb 3063  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 23, 2019 7:37:16 PM

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Thank you for taking the time to read my letter. I am writing from the perspective of a Black Democrat and also 35 yo mother/step mother of 5 and I have received no response from my representatives as of yet regarding my concerns about HB 3063.

This bill could shatter my children's universe and is in direct violation of the bodily autonomy that Democrats are known to cherish. I have been following your opinions and appreciate that you voice concern about the bill.

Here are the questions I am sending to the representatives for my district.

Dear Representative Holvey & Senator Prozanski

I am very concerned that my children will be excluded from school and sports next year with the passage HB3063.

We are considered partially vaccinated because we delay our vaccines due to extreme reactions in my 2 step daughters. If you would have seen these soaring fevers, convulsions and swollen limbs for yourself, you too would choose to wait until your children were older to administer the rest of the shots, or possibly even forgo them altogether.

Unfortunately the pediatrician let us know that even this reaction did not qualify for a medical exemption! We were astounded and luckily able to use a philosophical exemption. The girls recovered from their reactions however after talking with some other parents with similar reactions, some kids do not. These are our babies and if there is a predisposition for allergies to vaccine ingredients I will not take the risk of injury. Some kids are injured.

VACCINES SAVE LIVES! Most people should vaccinate. Our oldest daughter is fully vaccinated with not one reaction but a mild fever which is completely normal. The small number of parents who choose to not vaccinate most likely do so for health reasons even though we don't fit the narrow guidelines for medical exemptions. My argument is that I am a good parent and a normal person, and I should be allowed to not fully vaccinate my child if that is my choice. I am an African-American, a Democrat and a mother who believes in body autonomy 100% of the time.

Are you 100% ready to keep my children and thousands of others from attending school based on a potential measles outbreak without even one death? Is that worth in the long run? Is there definite certainty that those health organizations pushing for the bill have not been influenced by companies and industries who will financially gain from it?

Our kids play year round sports and the youngest 3 will not be allowed to participate in kidsports or and community leagues that use school fields and sports if this passes. Where will they get to play? In 2019 organized sports are how children recreate and learn valuable physical lessons, is banning them from this really necessary? Why not ask kids to stay home during outbreaks so they don't become infected, rather than keeping them home all year?

The oldest will be competing at south eugene high school next year, she's doing track at Roosevelt this year. Do her siblings have to miss her track meets? Her graduation?

With 3 kids switching from public school to homeschool if this bill is passed we will already have a huge transition, but to take away their fundamental right to play is just cruel. Please let me know if you have any solution or feedback on this matter.

Thank you, Lara Opeifa, LMT  
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**From:** [Taylor Vega](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** Action Regarding Non-Medical exemption State Immunization Laws  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 23, 2019 9:31:35 AM

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Dear **Kate Brown**,

As a Medical Student at Oregon Health and Science University, I am writing on behalf of medical professionals everywhere, to urge action on non-medical exemptions from state immunization laws.

I am very concerned about the recent surge in vaccine preventable diseases such as measles. In 2018, there were 372 confirmed cases of measles; and already, this year, there have been close to 626 individuals confirmed with measles in 22 states. Indeed, Oregon and Southwest Washington have seen one of the largest recent outbreaks of measles in our country.

Vaccines protect the health of children and adults and save lives, especially those in our community who are most vulnerable. They prevent life-threatening diseases and certain forms of cancer.

Claims that vaccines are unsafe or may cause autism have been disproven by a robust body of medical literature including a recent Danish [study](#), published in the Annals of Internal Medicine, that shows that “MMR vaccination does not increase the risk for autism, does not trigger autism in susceptible children, and is not associated with clustering of autism cases after vaccination.”

[Data](#) show that just for children born in the United States in 2009, routine childhood immunizations will prevent approximately 42,000 early deaths and 20 million cases of disease with savings of more than \$82 billion in societal costs.

Outbreaks of vaccine-preventable diseases have been linked to communities of unvaccinated and under vaccinated individuals.

We urge you to support House Bill 3063. We are counting on your support to take the necessary action to protect the health and welfare of patients in our state.

Yours truly,

Taylor Vega

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**From:** [Teresa Thomas](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** No on HB 3063  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 23, 2019 7:20:09 PM

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Please, please vote NO on House Bill 3063. I am a mother of two children who have received the majority of their vaccines, others I have chosen to delay or forgo. If this bill passes, it will not solve a health "crisis" or convince me to acquire those last two vaccines, but it will strip parents of their parental, religious and medical rights. There is so much wrong with this bill. I do not want to live in a state that will force me to put anything in my body or my children's bodies nor do I want to live in a state that will hold my children's education ransom. Please represent parents statewide and vote NO.

Teresa Thomas

**From:** [kevin\\_goodrich@charter.net](mailto:kevin_goodrich@charter.net)  
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**Subject:** EVIDENCE to DEFEAT House Bill 3063 - Please Vote No!  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 23, 2019 8:25:35 PM

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Dear Committee Chairs, Co-chairs, and all Members:

Here's a horrific reminder from last October that a eugenics agenda is unfolding through vaccination/immunization schedules:

<http://thesciencepost.com/merck-to-add-glyphosate-to-vaccines-in-huge-deal-with-monsanto>

Please defeat House Bill 3063! Oregonians lives depend on your NO vote!

Sincerely,

Kevin Goodrich @ PO Box 3232  
15-year resident of Central Point, Oregon  
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**From:** [Tkeisha Wydro](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** Testimony for HB 3063  
**Date:** Monday, April 22, 2019 8:21:33 PM

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Dear All,

My name is Tkeisha Wydro and my family has been in Oregon for three generations. I have two sons, Sage and Lachlan. My youngest has had health issues, specifically with his airway, and my oldest is sensitive to allergens. I have made the decision based on all the information I have gathered from my doctor, from CDC and from published medical studies that vaccination per the current CDC schedule is not right for my children.

I would like to vaccinate at a slower pace and selectively vaccinate based on the risk/benefit ratio. As their parent, I am the best one qualified to make these decisions. There will be no one else who will work harder to ensure their health and well being.

HB 3063 removes the ability for parents to make healthcare decisions for their children. If this bill passes, I will not comply, I will not vaccinate them against my conscience. My husband and I have already discussed this and we will end up taking our business and moving to another state with less draconian laws, that ultimately do not protect the children. Forcing children to be vaccinated when their parents have concerns for their health will not solve anything,

Also, is Oregon ready to provide online schooling for 31 thousand students??? What is the cost associated with expanding that program?? Why this HUGE rush to push this bill???

Rep Cheri Helt said at the Healthcare Committee hearing that parents have a choice as relates to this bill, that this does not force vaccination, but it actually does for parents who want to remain in Oregon, as most of them will not be able to afford to homeschool. My family will be torn apart as we move to another state, I will leave my hometown and my parents.

I would like to ask that before you make such a drastic move against a minority group in Oregon, that you look at the "emergency" that is trying to be solved. There are NO current cases of measles in Oregon, and of the 10 that were reported this year NONE of them were related to a school. No one was hospitalized. Even if you look at Washington and the 74 cases this year, there are currently NO current cases of measles.

The current k-12 exemption rate is 2.6% of children. We are ABOVE herd immunity levels on all vaccinated for diseases. Again I ask you, please take a moment and look at if this kind of law should be passed when there has been overwhelming outcry against it, and no real evidence of an emergency. There are already protocols in place in schools that prevent outbreaks from occurring. Whenever there is a communicable disease found in or related to a school in Oregon, the unvaccinated are immediately pulled from school. These precautions are obviously working! Why change something that is working for something that will cause great harm to many Oregonians AND cost money to implement, money that could be better spent handling actual epidemics of overdosing teenagers, suicide and others.

Thank you for reading.

Sincerely,  
Tkeisha Wydro and Jason Wydro

**From:** [Kellie Kalmbach](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** Testimony/ no on HB3063  
**Date:** Wednesday, April 24, 2019 6:44:14 AM

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Please vote no on HB3063.

I am pregnant with my first child, and my husband and I were advised to delay vaccinations to our child for at least a year because of the medication I am on for Ulcerative Colitis, as it would cause our baby to be immunocompromised. Then after a year, IF and WHEN we decide to vaccinate for the safety of OUR child, NOT the government's, we would most definitely decide to space out the vaccines. Should we be punished for keeping the safety of our future child our first priority?

This bill is an attempt to put a one size fits all on every child and vaccine schedule, which simply does not exist. Every case is different. It is not black and white. Please vote no.

-Kellie Parker

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** [Kelly Anderson](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** Vote no on HB3063  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 23, 2019 4:03:43 PM

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I am urging you to vote NO on HB 3063. I am a new mother of a three-month-old baby boy. My family is riddled with auto immune disorders, heart diseases, and cancer in my family as well, along with numerous other health issues and both immediate and distant family members. Based on my family medical history my son is at high-risk for a vaccine injury. I am NOT willing to literally “roll the dice” on my son’s health and future. THANK YOU

~ Kelly

**From:** [Kelly Goodman](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** Opposition to HB3063  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 23, 2019 10:09:57 PM

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To who it may concern:

I oppose HB3063!! Please vote against this. I chose to vaccinate my children, but I followed an alternative vaccine schedule. I believe it is a parents right to choose. Thank you for your time.

**From:** [Kelly Lipin](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** Opposition to HB3063 and Homeschool Amendment  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 23, 2019 5:18:33 PM

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To Whom It May Concern,

I understand that there is an amendment to add homeschoolers to HB3063, which is coming before the Ways and Means Committee tomorrow. I wanted to share my testimony with you, in hopes you will take it into consideration on this topic.

My mother decided to get pregnant with me when she was 39 years old. Before doing so, she went to the doctor to get some bloodwork done, and be sure she was healthy before getting pregnant at an older age. Her doctor ran the bloodwork and discovered that she did not have the antibodies for measles, meaning that she had not been vaccinated and also had not contracted measles. He advised that she received the MMR vaccine, and then wait three months before getting pregnant (because Rubella can be dangerous to a pregnant woman, and this is a live-virus vaccine). That is exactly what she did.

The pregnancy went fine, and I was born healthy in 1987. However, shortly afterward, my mother developed Type I Diabetes. In case you are unfamiliar with the different types of diabetes, this is often referred to as "Juvenile Diabetes" and is an autoimmune attack of the pancreas, rendering the organ completely useless in making insulin. It is fatal without constant treatment and it is quite rare to develop this condition as an adult. She has been insulin-dependent ever since. I have watched her struggle with managing diabetes for over 30 years.

She warned me that there is a hereditary link to diabetes, and that it often skips a generation. We have kept a close watch on my two boys, and my siblings' children as well, being aware of the signs of developing juvenile diabetes. Thankfully, all seven of her grandchildren have been fine so far.

I have been doing much research on vaccines since my first son was born in 2015. I am greatly in favor of allowing my children to build their immune systems by normal exposure, and not overloading their systems with injected toxins. But in my recent research of the MMR vaccine, I found some valuable information, which has caused my whole family rise up against mandatory vaccination.

One of my main resources for vaccine information has been Dr. Robert W. Sears' "The Vaccine Book." This is written by a pro-vaccine doctor, and he does an excellent job informing readers of the risks of the illnesses in question, as well as the risks of the associated vaccines. In his chapter on "Measles, Mumps, and Rubella Diseases," he lists the **Known Severe Reactions** to the MMR vaccine, which includes **inflammation of the pancreas and diabetes**, among other autoimmune responses (page 89). He concludes that "those with a family history of arthritis or autoimmune disorders may have a higher risk of this reaction... Any person who has an autoimmune disorder already should also not receive the MMR vaccine." In his summary of MMR Vaccine Reactions, he states, "The MMR vaccine has the longest and most severe list of reported reactions, many of which mimic the actual disease complications (which makes sense, as this is a live-virus vaccine)" (page 90).

Six months after having my first son, I developed Hashimoto's Disease, which is also an autoimmune disorder of the thyroid. In addition to diabetes, my mom has several other autoimmune disorders as well. Knowing that my family is prone to these reactions, I would not feel comfortable increasing the risk of my sons having an autoimmune reaction as well. This could result in having to manage a life-long disease, versus the usually short-lived illness of measles or mumps.

Each parent has a story or experience of why they choose to vaccinate or not vaccinate their children. We each feel we are doing what is the absolute best for our children's health, and there are passionate arguments on both sides. This is a decision-making process that should be left in the hands of parents and not controlled by governing authorities.

With the concern of HB3063 passing, I was able to keep some peace of mind knowing that my children will be homeschooled, and therefore exempt from the mandate. This amendment would take away my

only option to protect my children from possibly developing autoimmune diseases.

Please speak on our behalf, and use your power to protect our children. Allow us to continue with the liberty of choosing for ourselves how we will manage our children's health.

Thank you for your consideration,

Kelly Lipin

**From:** [Kelly Parco](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** Vaccine Hesitancy  
**Date:** Monday, April 22, 2019 4:16:08 PM

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Dear Committee Members,

What a whirlwind of bills, voices and debates we are seeing in 2019. Thank you for what you do, it can't be easy to be a decision-maker when so many voices are being raised about these issues. The issue I am here to talk about is HB 3063, the vaccine mandate bill.

There is a small minority of people who do not want to ride that rollercoaster....and can you blame them? Vaccine injury is happening all over the world, manufacturers are being sued for lying about efficacy, the entities we are supposed to trust are pushing new medicine that they hold patents on, any study that may taint the angelic image of vaccines is being shoved under the rug, and censorship is running rampant.

I saw a testimony of a nurse who had her whole family vaccinated on the schedule, and then again when the titers didn't come back immune to mumps. She had her own titers done for the mumps and hers came back immune....but she still contracted mumps. Also, along the same lines, a navy ship out at sea (obviously all up to date on vaccines) has been quarantined for a mumps outbreak. Why is this happening? Why isn't it being shared more publicly? And why are we trying to mandate something that isn't effective?

Why are we attacking a small minority of the population for holding their own values? The only epidemic happening is the corruption of our government and the public fueled by monopolies. All I ask is that you really think about the power you hold and consider the ramifications. Our forefathers died to uphold our freedoms. They would fall over in their graves if they knew the over-reach happening in 2019. All over America a fear of disease is growing because of the advertising tactics used by the elite. Doing a small amount of research will open your eyes to the truth....that there are MANY variables and questions.

- \*Lawsuit against Merck for lying about the efficacy of the mumps portion of the vaccine
- \*Deciphering the strain of the diseases we are seeing in our communities, for instance, 73 of the 194 measles cases from the Disneyland outbreak were tested as vaccine sequences
- \*Questioning the fast-forwarding of 21 recommended shots. What about proper safety testing?
- \*Uncovering special interests such as the 18 patents on new vaccines owned by CDC members
- \*Having this bill impact CHURCH groups, as well as those practicing their faith by opting out of the shots that are made with aborted fetal cells

The list goes on and on.....please, please dig deeper before making decisions that may be catastrophic for our communities. Very soon our country will stop seeing the life-long immunities that our elders had. Then where will we be? Still seeing "outbreaks", because if you look at history they have never gone away. Instead, these outbreaks will be linked to vaccine strains. Either way it is a slippery slope. The one thing that remains is the right of the parents to choose. The lives that our forefathers lost to uphold our freedom. The separation of church and state.

Please oppose HB 3063. Look deeper. Until a better system is put into place. Thank you so much!

Sincerely,

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**From:** [Ken Reese](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** Concern and Opposition to HB-3063  
**Date:** Monday, April 22, 2019 2:23:06 PM

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To the Oregon Joint Subcommittee on Human Services,

I am a Washington County resident who is writing this letter to express my opposition to HB 3063 that is currently pending legislative approval. My opposition to this bill is both scientific and philosophical, and I am convinced that when the evidence is examined objectively, the legislation does not meet its intended goal of a healthier population.

For those lawmakers who have concerns over the magnitude of this legislation and are not fully-supportive of it, I thank you for your stance. For others who believe that this legislation is entirely warranted I ask that you to consider my thoughts below, and I thank you for that consideration.

I am a software architect by profession and my tendency has been to do my own research on controversial subjects before coming to a conclusion. My scientific objections to this particular bill are due to the amount of research that I have done on the vaccine subject. I have not always held this position, as I was like most people who assumed that adequate studies had been done and had concluded that vaccines were absolutely safe, and with minimal side effects.

My trusting sentiment began to change approximately 5 years ago when my wife, who is a registered nurse for Providence Health System received her annual flu vaccine, to which she had a very serious reaction. It was so serious that it took several months for her to recover from a severe immune response, and she was informed by her MD that she should consider never receiving another vaccine. That incident caused me to begin researching vaccine safety more diligently. Coincidentally, at that same time I also discovered that in my family tree there was roughly a 25% rate of autism in children born in the generation after mine, which in of itself was rather disturbing.

What I discovered during my research is that the opinion of the scientific community is not in unanimous agreement on the subject of vaccine safety, and there is considerable evidence suggesting that for certain populations the effect of vaccines appears to be linked to serious neurological problems. Even though a large majority of people assert that “studies have shown vaccines to be safe”, I have not been able to find any published study that compared vaccinated against unvaccinated individuals, for the rationale has always been that it would be “unethical” to deny vaccinations in any controlled study. Thus, assertions claiming that controlled studies have proven vaccines to be safe appears to be false, but if you have controlled clinical trial evidence to the contrary I would very much like to see it.

As you may be aware, there is a pediatrician in Beaverton named Dr. Paul Thomas who has an empirical side-by-side study in his own practice, and who has a statistically-significant population that he has observed over the past several years.

Using the national autism rate of 1 in 59 individuals as a basis (CDC 2016 data), he has data on two alternative groups in his practice: those that use a modified vaccination schedule, and those that for religious or medical concerns have received no vaccinations. In these two groups the observed rate of autism in the modified vaccination schedule group is 1 in 440 children, while in the group that received no vaccinations the observed autism rate is 1 in 715 children. The analysis producing these statistics was conducted by a reputable, impartial physician named Dr. Michael Graven and is a dramatic improvement over the published CDC national autism rate, and warrants serious consideration and investigation.

As to the popular belief that vaccinating 100% of population contributes to “herd” immunity, this topic too has been studied and disputed by a respected, Harvard-educated immunologist by the name of Dr. Tetyana Obukhanych. Dr. Obukhanych has concluded that the practice of mass-vaccination can contribute to greater population disease susceptibility, since vaccine effects tend to wear off (requiring periodic “boosters”), whereas immunities gained through direct disease exposure last for the lifetime of the individual. The doctor also observes with regard to measles that there is an observed paradox, wherein as measles vaccination rates rise to high levels, measles itself then becomes a disease of those immunized. Dr. Obukhanych’s study also reveals that on average 1 in 168 children require an emergency room visit following their 12-month vaccination appointment.

**An Open Letter to Legislators Currently Considering Vaccine Legislation from Tetyana Obukhanych, PhD**

[http://healthimpactnews.com/wp-content/uploads/sites/2/2017/11/H.98\\_Dr.-Tetyana-Obukhanych\\_Written-Comments\\_4-22-2015.pdf](http://healthimpactnews.com/wp-content/uploads/sites/2/2017/11/H.98_Dr.-Tetyana-Obukhanych_Written-Comments_4-22-2015.pdf)

Much of the concern of vaccine neurological safety surrounds the use of aluminum adjuvants to amplify a vaccine’s effectiveness. So-called safe levels of aluminum generally do not consider the inability of infants to absorb and dispose of the levels of aluminum received by multiple vaccines during a single visit. Compounding the problem, a recent Italian study also suggests that the metal nanoparticles used in vaccines have greater toxicity at lower doses, making them much more likely to produce neurological issues in susceptible individuals.

**New Quality-Control Investigations on Vaccines: Micro and Nano-contamination**

<https://medcraveonline.com/IJVV/IJVV-04-00072.pdf>

The National Institute of Health has published papers that link cognitive disorders to vaccine factors other than mercury (thimerosal) and aluminum, with one such study finding a statistically greater concentration of measles antibodies in children diagnosed with autism (P=0.003). This is significant since if these children did not contract measles antibodies through conventional means, then it suggests that the antibodies were likely introduced via MMR vaccination. A follow-up study was called for (but never implemented) that proposed to utilize age-matched study and control groups to test this hypothesis. So, while data indicates that the cognitive condition known as autism could have multiple influencers, there are again no double-blind studies that scientifically confirm nor refute these suspicions.

**Elevated levels of measles antibodies in children with autism; Singh, Johnson**

<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/12849883>

It should also be noted that former medical proponents of widespread and heavy vaccination programs are recanting on their previous stands due to new evidence. One such example is Dr. Andrew Zimmerman, who originally served as the expert medical witness for the US government and who had the responsibility for defending vaccines in federal vaccine court (National Vaccine Injury Compensation Program). He had previously testified that vaccines do not cause autism, but later reconsidered his position and signed a sworn affidavit stating to DOJ lawyers that he had discovered exceptions in which vaccinations did appear to induce autism in vulnerable populations of recipients.

**How a pro-vaccine doctor reopened debate about link to autism**

<https://thehill.com/opinion/healthcare/425061-how-a-pro-vaccine-doctor-reopened-debate-about-link-to-autism>

As to my philosophical objection to this bill, I do believe that some government oversight of public health is good and necessary, but in my opinion crosses the line of governmental responsibility by removing the right of parents, in consult with their physicians to determine the best course of health care for their children. Most parents have their children's best interest in mind, and the sensationalized media stories of parents withholding treatment for questionable reasons does not apply to the vast majority of individuals. In my own family's situation we have a significant presence of auto-immune disorders, including Crohn's disease, immune system deficiency (CVID), Hashimotos thyroid disease, and thyroid cancer. With recent studies suggesting that auto-immune/immune conditions can be significant factors in influencing the manifestation of vaccine-induced injury, there is a concern that offspring born under these circumstances could be highly susceptible to harm by adhering to current, aggressive vaccination schedules, and due to this the offspring born into our situation are currently following the modified vaccination schedule outlined in the book titled "The Vaccine-Friendly Plan" by Dr. Thomas. There is grave concern that imposition of HB-3063 in its current form to our situation would be calamitous, and likely produce children who would fall into the 1-in-59 autism statistic category, and so for this reason my college-educated daughters (born and raised here) have stated to me that if the law in its current form passes they will be moving their families to a state that is more respective of parental rights.

In the interest of preserving parents' rights to make the best choice for the health of their children I urge you to vote NO on HB 3063.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

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**From:** [Kendal Lynch](#)  
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**Subject:** HB 3063 Testimony  
**Date:** Wednesday, April 24, 2019 1:23:54 PM

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I strongly oppose HB 3063.

Banning students from all educational, university, daycare, and even church (that host a school or daycare) properties due to their parent(s) opting them out of even just one vaccine is government overreach and a violation of parental rights. Adoption of HB 3063 is not congruent with the freedoms and liberties our nation was founded upon.

There ARE ethical concerns with some mandated vaccines.  
There ARE injuries and deaths arising from vaccines.  
HB 3063 IS discriminatory and brings back segregation.

Where there is risk there MUST be choice.

PLEASE listen to the record-breaking number of Oregonians that have called, written, submitted testimony, and visited the Capitol in opposition to HB 3063. Many Oregonians who vaccinate are still opposed to this bill as it is an issue of medical freedom and violating informed consent.

Kendal Lynch  
Lifelong Oregon Resident  
Currently residing in La Grande, OR

From: [Jordan RN](#)  
To: [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
Subject: Vote No on HB 3063  
Date: Tuesday, April 23, 2019 9:58:59 AM

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Please Vote No on HB 3063. My name is Kendra Jordan. I have been a nurse for 5 years and became a mother 3 months ago. I personally agree with Vaccines and plan on vaccinating my daughter. However the current vaccine schedule has many risks (please see below for examples), I know for a fact any other medical treatment with risks as high as these would be fully discussed with a patient and be left for their decision to make if they wanted to proceed. Daily as a nurse I advocate for my patient rights and made sure their wishes are followed to the letter. As a mother I'm also see myself as an advocate for my daughter health until she is able to voice her opinion. It is not a role I take lightly. Currently I'm holding off to vaccinate my daughter till she is 1 years old. I openly has shared this with her doctor and they fully support and agree with my decision. Thank you for taking the time to read this.

Sincerely,

Kendra Jordan

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Vaccines are just like other pharmaceutical products in that they can cause injury and death in some people, and come with contraindications for others. The United States Government has paid out more than [\\$4 billion dollars to vaccine victims](#) through the [National Vaccine Injury Compensation Program](#).

Vaccines manufacturers and the doctors who administer vaccines are shielded from liability for vaccine injuries and deaths through the combination of the [law passed by Congress in 1986 establishing the National Vaccine Injury Compensation Program](#) and the 2011 Supreme Court Decision [BRUESEWITZ ET AL. v. WYETH LLC, FKA WYETH, INC., ET AL.](#)

[Children today receive 69 doses of vaccines for 16 different viral and bacterial illnesses](#) which more than doubles the government childhood schedule of [34 doses of 11 different vaccines in the year 2000](#). A vaccine exemption is filed regardless of whether the exemption is filed for one dose or all doses. 35 doses and 5 more unique vaccines have been added to the schedule in the last 15 years.

There is no end in sight. America's biopharmaceutical research companies are [developing more than 260 vaccines](#). This philosophical exemption needs to be preserved for families to have options. The Oregon health authority is given very broad authority to adopt rules concerning vaccination, including adding new vaccines required for school.  
<https://www.oregonlaws.org/ors/433.273>

The [U.S. Vaccine Market](#) alone was \$36.45 Billion in 2018, and expected to reach \$50.42 billion by 2023. This is a very powerful industry with lots of resources to lobby and influence policy to remove parental rights to be able to delay or decline a vaccine. The industry benefits from forced use.

It's hypocritical for doctors to try to remove a philosophical exemption for vaccine mandates for school children when The American Medical Association, in section [9.133 Routine Universal Immunization of Physicians](#) of the AMA Code of Ethics, affirm the right to both religious and philosophical exceptions for themselves to decline vaccination.

According to the Centers for Disease Control, [this year's measles outbreak nationwide so far is only 159 cases but 2011 saw 220 cases, 2014 had 667 and last year there were 372 reported cases](#). There is no emergency.

According to the [Oregon Health Authority 95.3% of students in K-12 in Oregon have received 2 doses of MMR Vaccine](#).

Vaccine risks are facts, not opinions. As of November 30, 2018, there have been more than [92,844](#) reports of just measles vaccine reactions, hospitalizations, injuries and deaths following measles vaccinations made to the federal [Vaccine Adverse Events Reporting System \(VAERS\)](#), including [457](#) related deaths, [6,902](#) hospitalizations, and [1,736](#) related disabilities. [Over 50%](#) of those adverse events occurred in children three years old and under.

As of January 2, 2019, there had been [1,258](#) claims filed in the federal [Vaccine Injury Compensation Program \(VICP\)](#) for injuries and deaths following MMR vaccination, including 82 deaths and 1,176 serious injuries.

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Senator Dallas Heard -He is opposes this bill 😊

Senator Rob Wagner

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April 23, 2019

Dear Joint Committee on Ways and Means Subcommittee on Human Services,

I am writing to express my opposition to House Bill 3063. As a parent and educator, I share the desire of everyone engaged in this debate to live in a society where the well-being and safety of its children is prioritized. However, coercion is a dangerous way to achieve public health, especially when the justification for such coercion is not sound. Oregon is not in a state of emergency. According to the Oregon Health Authority, we meet the criteria for herd immunity for every disease on the vaccine schedule. Measles was contained in Oregon after ten cases, none of which caused complications. To enact laws based upon exaggerated threats is something of which we should all be weary.

This bill will also undermine the crucial rights that parents have to informed consent for medical procedures. We are raising our children in a world with countless threats to public health including global warming, bullying, chronic illness, mental illness, addiction, environmental contaminants, and school shootings. Parents cannot protect their children from all of these forces, but, they can choose what does and does not go into their children's bodies. This right is crucial to the health of both family and society. It provides the foundation for trust, parental empowerment and even civic responsibility.

In the wake of the measles outbreak in Clark County, my own pediatrician informed me that her small practice administered 150 MMR vaccines in two weeks. Though I have not

investigated, I imagine this trend was similar across the state. In our current situation where parents are given the right to informed consent, they generally do respond thoughtfully and responsibly to the situation before them. If this right is replaced with coercion, this sense of autonomous responsibility will be replaced with a resentful wariness that could lead to far more severe public health crises in the future.

Furthermore, this bill unfairly targets families who aren't able to resist compliance by withdrawing their children from school or leaving the state. While those with the means will seek alternatives, working families, single parent families, families facing trauma, illness or addiction, and otherwise school-dependent families will be forced to fully vaccinate their children regardless of their questions or concerns. The result will be mistrust, anger, fear, and deterioration of the relationship between vulnerable families and the institutions designed to support them. This is not a healthy way to advocate for health.

Finally, I have been advised by someone very active in opposing this bill not to mention vaccine injuries, because many lawmakers shut down at their mention. However, after having heard devastating testimonies across the nation as this debate unfolds, I feel morally bound to mention the issue. Though I agree that the small percentage of vaccine injuries that occur are not a reason to halt vaccination, I disagree with ignoring them entirely so as to protect the vaccine agenda. Severe, irreversible vaccine injuries are quite rare, but they do happen. <sup>i</sup>The people to whom they happen matter. Their stories are not myths to be debunked or collateral damage to be overlooked. Their stories are tragic testimonies to the fact that vaccination does not affect every child in the same way, and we don't fully understand why. In my opinion, acknowledging this does not threaten public health, it strengthens it by creating an honest conversation around vaccines that honors EVERY child's right to health and safety. I do urge you as responsible and caring lawmakers to take a moment, even if it is privately, to acknowledge the testimonies you have heard and recognize the nuanced nature of this situation. This bill tries to make a complex issue simple and it will not work. It may result in come forced compliance, but it will not result in a healthier Oregon. Thank you very much for your time.

Sincerely,

Kerri Meelia

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<sup>i</sup> The following is a link to the table of of vaccines and the "injuries, disabilities, illnesses, conditions and death resulting from the administration of such vaccines" provided by the National Vaccine Injury Compensation Program's registered government website.  
<https://www.hrsa.gov/sites/default/files/hrsa/vaccine-compensation/vaccine-injury-table.pdf>

**From:** [Kim Galvin](#)  
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**Subject:** HB 3063  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 23, 2019 6:33:48 PM

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“Vote NO on HB 3063!  
I support parental rights.

**From:** [Tanya Bae](#)  
**To:** [Sen Beyer](#); [Rep Nosse](#); [Sen Heard](#); [Sen Wagner](#); [Rep Hayden](#); [Rep Salinas](#); [Rep Schouten](#); [Rep Stark](#); [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** No on HB 3063  
**Date:** Wednesday, April 24, 2019 5:00:10 AM

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Please vote no on HB 3063.

Be on the right side of history. Vote No on HB3063.

-Cigarettes used to be safe. The science proved it...until it wasn't.

-Vioxx (by Merck) used to be safe and effective. The science proved it...until it wasn't.

-Round Up by Monsanto (glyphosate). It was safe and effective. The science proved it...until it wasn't.

-Opioids were safe and effective. The science proved it...until it wasn't.

-Flint water used to be safe and effective until it wasn't.

There are numerous times in history where government, pharmaceutical companies and corporations were not honest, hid data, manipulated data, provided kickbacks/incentives, intimidation, fraud, etc. Whistleblowers were not believed, patients were not believed. Until someone took them to court and proved their case. Patients are not allowed to take vaccine manufacturers to court to prove their case. And vaccines do not even have to prove safety to the level of other medications.

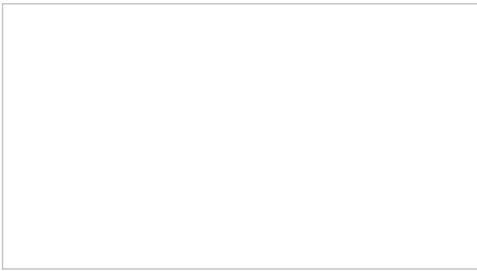
In fact, Merck has been in a court battle for 8 years in regards to their MMR vaccine that is currently in use. Former scientists from Merck have whistleblower status and have provided evidence that Merck had them falsify the mumps efficacy data so that it could pass FDA regulations.

In here is Merck's history on the Vioxx medication. Not a very honest company to be in charge of vaccines:

<https://www.npr.org/2007/11/10/5470430/timeline-the-rise-and-fall-of-vioxx>

## Timeline: The Rise and Fall of Vioxx : NPR

Timeline: The Rise and Fall of Vioxx Five years after Vioxx's launch in 1999, Merck withdrew the drug from the market. By that time, Merck had



sold billions of dollars worth of the painkiller ...

[www.npr.org](http://www.npr.org)

**From:** [Tanya Sydorenko](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Cc:** [Rep Stark](#); [Sen Beyer](#); [Rep Nosse](#); [Sen Heard](#); [Rep Hayden](#); [Rep Salinas](#); [Rep Schouten](#); [Tanya Sydorenko](#)  
**Subject:** Oppose HB3063 and any amendments: with a personal story  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 23, 2019 9:57:23 AM

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I oppose OR HB 3063 and the proposed amendments. Please consider my personal story and experiences on the issue.

Before that, let me be clear: **this issue is complex**. I have received responses to my previous email from multiple representatives on the Joint Committee of Ways and Means stating their views on the issue. Some are opposing the bill, some are for the bill. But I did get responses to my emails, that it is encouraging that people are paying attention.

**The big conversation is about risks**. Somehow the most recent message is that measles poses a tremendous risk and is a public emergency. But in this message, we forget about many other risks.

Here's a recent conversation I had with my friend.

Friend: Yeah, all these people are dying from measles.

I: Well, there were about 75 cases reported in the measles outbreak in Vancouver, Washington area with one person hospitalized – and now out of the hospital. No deaths were reported.

Friend: Well I think that vaccines are important.

I: I think so too. But just like any other medical intervention they can also be risky. Did you know that doctors and vaccine companies have no liability in the case of a vaccine injury, yet vaccine injuries do occur? I will send you the information. [\[Here's the information on vaccine injuries that were compensated in recent years. The injuries include serious complications and deaths.\]](#)

In this short conversation, I hope you can see that many people only see one side of the story: vaccines are safe and will protect us from all the major communicative diseases. This is how this issue is portrayed in the media and in the majority of circles in the medical community. **Yet the known risks of vaccines are not mentioned – and I keep wondering why.**

Given this state of affairs around vaccines, why shouldn't individuals have the right to decide if vaccines or certain kinds of vaccines are right for them? We hear messages like "Talk to your doctor if [medicine X] is right for you" all the time when we hear ads for medications. Why aren't we hearing the same about vaccines? **[It turns out doctors have this right: whether they choose to be vaccinated or not.](#)** Why shouldn't others have this right?

NOW HERE'S MY PERSONAL STORY.

My son has LIFE-THREATENING food allergies. He can't have nuts, soy, dairy, eggs, gluten. We were vaccinating until we saw that he kept getting worse with regard to allergies. His doctor stated that in his practice, I have only seen one additional child with such expansive and severe allergies! You might say: well, then don't worry: your son will be covered under medical exemptions for vaccines. Well, in fact he won't: only a handful of medical conditions are covered under medical exemptions for

vaccines, and LIFE-THREATENING SEVERE allergies are not one of them.

Before we paused vaccinations, at one point my son was having diarrhea for a month(!) and reacting to every food except **chicken and sardines**. He was rapidly losing weight because of such a restricted diet. We were scared. We paused vaccinations and began all kinds of treatments and therapies. He can now have the majority of fruits, vegetables, non-gluten grains, and meats. Sounds better than before.

However, we are not “out of the woods” yet. My son is still allergic to nuts, soy, dairy, eggs, gluten. Just a couple days ago his class went on a field trip. I went with the class due to my son’s severe allergies. **Here’s what I witnessed**. Although the parents were politely and clearly asked not to pack any nut snacks, one child sitting right next to my son had a Reese’s peanut butter cup! And this is on a field trip, when we are out in the woods and there is no nurse in sight, as there would be on school premises! And, I signed a statement that in the case of any injuries on a trip, the school and the school staff would not be responsible! So, we are trying to pass the law that vaccines are mandatory to attend school. **Shouldn’t we then also pass the law that if any child comes to school with nut products or any other products that other children can be very allergic to, that child who brought the prohibited products cannot attend school? This just sounds crazy, right? But to someone in my situation, mandatory vaccines sound just as crazy!** Why do we allow ourselves to be **discriminatory** against non-fully vaccinated children who may have a very strong counter indication for vaccines, yet, for now, their condition, for some reason, is not covered under medical exemptions? Where is this hypocrisy coming from?

Let’s come back to the conversation I had with my friend. **I believe vaccines are important**. The risk they pose is relatively small – I know that. However, with that, **I know that some will die from vaccine injuries**, and sadly, the science is not there yet to tell us who these unfortunate people will be.

Some might be thinking: we want the majority of people to be vaccinated. We don’t want to spread fears, which might lead to much lower vaccination rates and then true public emergencies. My belief is that people are scared enough about communicable diseases that most will choose to vaccinate. I will choose to vaccinate my son again once his allergies are better. **I am just as scared about measles, and tetanus, and polio**. But in our situation, we are also scared about anaphylaxis and so we need to make choices about what is currently most dangerous. **The proposed bill will take this choice away**.

Below is the objective information, without personal experiences. This information should be known before decisions are made. Bills can’t be passed alone on the information that media chooses to present and statements that some doctors make about the complete safety of vaccines. **Vaccine manufacturers themselves disclose the adverse reactions, some of them very serious and life-threatening, that could follow vaccines**. Why are some doctors choosing to hide this fact? Doctors have sworn on the “Do no harm” principle. If we are going to pass such important bills, we need to have all the facts right first.

And one more thing: the science behind vaccines is not 100% proof. New vaccines are being developed and it will take some time before we truly know their effects. For example, here’s a

statement from the [CDS website](#): “On October 22, 1999, ACIP recommended that Rotashield®\* (rhesus rotavirus vaccine-tetravalent [RRV-TV]) (Wyeth Laboratories, Inc., Marietta, Pennsylvania), the only U.S. licensed rotavirus vaccine, no longer be used in the United States (4). The decision was based on the results of an expedited review of scientific data presented to ACIP by CDC. Data from the review indicated a strong association between RRV-TV and intussusception among infants 1-2 weeks following vaccination. Vaccine use was suspended in July pending the ACIP data review. Parents should be reassured that children who received the rotavirus vaccine before July are not at increased risk for intussusception now. The manufacturer withdrew the vaccine from the market in October.” So in this, and any, case, the vaccine manufacturer is not liable for the injuries from the vaccines. **But yet parents are told “Vaccinate. It’s safe.”**

### **Objective information:**

Vaccines are just like other pharmaceutical products in that they can cause injury and death in some people, and come with contraindications for others. The United States Government has paid out more than [\\$4 billion dollars to vaccine victims](#) through the [National Vaccine Injury Compensation Program](#).

Vaccines manufacturers and the doctors who administer vaccines are shielded from liability for vaccine injuries and deaths through the combination of the [law passed by Congress in 1986 establishing the National Vaccine Injury Compensation Program](#) and the 2011 Supreme Court Decision [BRUESEWITZ ET AL. v. WYETH LLC, FKA WYETH, INC., ET AL.](#)

[Children today receive 69 doses of vaccines for 16 different viral and bacterial illnesses](#) which more than doubles the government childhood schedule of [34 doses of 11 different vaccines in the year 2000](#). A vaccine exemption is filed regardless of whether the exemption is filed for one dose or all doses. 35 doses and 5 more unique vaccines have been added to the schedule in the last 15 years.

There is no end in sight. America’s biopharmaceutical research companies are [developing more than 260 vaccines](#). This philosophical exemption needs to be preserved for families to have options. The Oregon health authority is given very broad authority to adopt rules concerning vaccination, including adding new vaccines required for school. <https://www.oregonlaws.org/ors/433.273>

The [U.S. Vaccine Market](#) alone was \$36.45 Billion in 2018, and expected to reach \$50.42 billion by 2023. This is a very powerful industry with lots of resources to lobby and influence policy to remove parental rights to be able to delay or decline a vaccine. The industry benefits from forced use. It’s hypocritical for doctors to try to remove a philosophical exemption for vaccine mandates for school children when The American Medical Association, in section [9.133 Routine Universal Immunization of Physicians](#) of the AMA Code of Ethics, affirm the right to both religious and philosophical exceptions for themselves to decline vaccination.

According to the Centers for Disease Control, [this year’s measles outbreak nationwide so far is only 159 cases but 2011 saw 220 cases, 2014 had 667 and last year there were 372 reported cases](#). There is no emergency.

According to the [Oregon Health Authority 95.3% of students in K-12 in Oregon have received 2 doses of MMR Vaccine.](#)

Vaccine risks are facts, not opinions. As of November 30, 2018, there have been more than [92,844](#) reports of just measles vaccine reactions, hospitalizations, injuries and deaths following measles vaccinations made to the federal [Vaccine Adverse Events Reporting System \(VAERS\)](#), including [457](#) related deaths, [6,902](#) hospitalizations, and [1,736](#) related disabilities. [Over 50%](#) of those adverse events occurred in children three years old and under.

As of January 2, 2019, there had been [1,258](#) claims filed in the federal [Vaccine Injury Compensation Program \(VICP\)](#) for injuries and deaths following MMR vaccination, including 82 deaths and 1,176 serious injuries.

**Please consider my testimony. This is a very serious issue.**

Sincerely,

Tetyana Sydorenko

**From:** [Tara Rae Miner](#)  
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**Cc:** [Rep Williamson](#); [Sen Burdick](#); [Rep Kotek](#); [Sen Courtney](#)  
**Subject:** Joint Committee on Ways & Means Subcommittee on Human Services.  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 23, 2019 9:48:53 PM

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Dear members of the Joint Committee on Ways & Means Subcommittee on Human Services,

Thank you for taking the time to read my testimony in opposition to House Bill 3063. I believe that vaccines are critical to overall public health. I am not anti-vaccine, but I am opposed to eliminating choice in personal medical decisions.

I am a lifelong Democratic voter, but I never thought a Democratic supermajority would cavalierly take away my right to choose. I believe in enacting laws that protect the common good. But forcing a single, uniform vaccination schedule upon families is an inappropriate intrusion of the legislature into every well-child visit a parent has with his or her pediatrician from birth until age eighteen. This bill not only strips parents of their rights, it takes away parents' role as partners with their doctors in the responsibility for their children's health care.

On December 3, 2018, my father, age seventy, died of scleroderma, an autoimmune rheumatic disease. I may carry the disposition for scleroderma—it is genetic—and my children may as well. My dad did not get sick until he was sixty-five years old. I could become sick in the future, but I cannot now get a medical exemption for my two young children. Nor would the recommended amendment 18 make it possible for me to do so. This, despite the fact that CDC recommends that the MMR and Varicella vaccines not be given to individuals with immediate family members who have a history of immune system problems. My example is just one illustration of the complications that arise from a standardized, one-size-fits-all approach to medicine—and of how the draconian nature of this bill will affect families.

I was born in Salem, raised in Roseburg, and have lived in Oregon almost my entire life. I want to raise my kids here. But if this bill passes I will have no choice but to leave the life and connections my family has built here. The bill is so inflexible and overreaching, my kids couldn't safely catch up to its mandated vaccination schedule. Oregon, a state that is known for its tolerance and diversity, will become the least tolerant of the fifty states in just one year. If this bill becomes law, it will disrupt schools, communities, and families. Please vote no on House Bill 3063.

Sincerely,

Tara Rae Miner  
Southwest Portland

**From:** [tashina wilkinson](#)  
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**Subject:** Vote no on HB 3063  
**Date:** Wednesday, April 24, 2019 3:50:05 PM

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I say...

“Vote NO on HB 3063!  
Where there is risk there must be choice

Sincerely,  
Tashina Wilkinson

**From:** [Tanya Johnson](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** HB 3063 Testimony  
**Date:** Monday, April 22, 2019 6:20:29 PM

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Dear Members of the Subcommittee on Human Services,

My name is Tanya Johnson and I live in Hillsboro, Oregon with my husband and three elementary age children.

I urge you to vote no on HB 3063, as this bill, with or without amendment -18, is honestly scary for me as a mom, as a patient, and as a citizen of Oregon.

As a mom I ask you, who knows my children's health better than myself and our pediatrician? What developmental milestones they've reached or not reached, what they are allergic to or have inflammatory responses to, what their genetic predispositions are and what our family history entails? HB 3063 completely ties the hands of pediatricians to personally evaluate the children in their care for YEARS, in favor of the state mandating vaccines no matter what the health history of a child is. I'm asking you to allow my child's health to be evaluated by myself and my husband (who have known them and worked so hard to keep them healthy their whole lives) and our pediatrician, who has been regularly seeing my children since they were toddlers. We have up till now worked together as a team on when and what when it comes to interventions, medications, and vaccines. Please let us continue this teamwork without any un-needed overarching mandates.

As a patient who already has an autoimmune disease myself, I worry about mandating vaccines for not only my children (who obviously have a genetic predisposition to autoimmune disease via myself and also on my husband's side of the family) but for myself. I think it's been very well proven already that we do not have an emergency situation here in Oregon with measles (only 14 cases total in Oregon out of roughly 4.191 MILLION people, and only 4 of those cases are linked to the Clark County, WA cases) or any other virus or bacterial infection that are covered under vaccines. We already have a very high vaccination rate among our K-12 school children (97.4% are fully vaccinated). I have fought and worked hard since I was diagnosed at age 18 with my autoimmune disease to avoid the toxic load on my body, to figure out how to avoid flares and bring them under control when they do happen (which has been often), and to live my life as fully as possible in a world that is increasingly full of toxins. The number of people with autoimmune disease has skyrocketed in the last several years, and WE DON'T KNOW WHY. Until more thorough research has been done, and answers found, regarding this huge epidemic of chronic disease, mandating vaccines that may be part of the problem is not only foolish, but cruel. It could affect so many children who could stay healthy under an altered schedule or decrease the health of children that are already fighting against chronic disease.

As a citizen of Oregon, HB 3063 feels like a slippery slope. If HB 3063 passes and state mandating of vaccines becomes the law, where does it stop? Why would it stop with children? What about adults? What else will the state mandate regarding our bodies? Even if you trust the current set of legislators to only mandate what you agree with, do you trust the unknown next elected set of legislators? The set after that? What precedent are we setting here? Where is this headed?

HB 3063 is the first time in the 38 years of my life (36 of those living in Oregon) that I feel the government is coming after me. It's NOT an okay feeling. Please vote no on HB 3063 and help the people of Oregon decide for ourselves what goes into our bodies, without holding our children's education hostage. We need you to listen to us and fully consider the ramifications of this bill.

Sincerely,  
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**Subject:** HB 3063  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 23, 2019 8:23:13 PM

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Hi, my name is Terese from Tigard, OR. I oppose HB 3063.

- How can a parent support enforcing medicine on their child knowing there are many risks involved ([per HRSA \\$4B paid for 6400 injury cases and 1270 petitions were for death](#)), and there is no easy way to know if you are the next family to be on this list.
- There is no accountability/liability (the \$4B were paid by us via taxes, while big corporations are completely exempt)
- Where are the studies that show the safety of multiple vaccines at once using worldwide accepted double-blind tests scientific protocol? See point #4.
- Their overall majority of “proven” studies are on vaccinated kids and sponsored by big corporations. Why don't we use the scientific method and promote unbiased studies on vaccinated vs unvaccinated?
- Why don't we push for thorough genetic and allergy testing on future vaccine recipients before we force them to take them? There are very clear cases where such tests would have saved kids and parents from a terrible fate ([this example was part of the many in the \\$4B settlements](#) )

Please oppose HB 3063.

**From:** [Teva Brender](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 23, 2019 12:44:42 PM

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Dear Governor Brown,

As a Medical Student at Oregon Health and Science University, I am writing on behalf of medical professionals everywhere, to urge action on non-medical exemptions from state immunization laws.

I am very concerned about the recent surge in vaccine preventable diseases such as measles. In 2018, there were 372 confirmed cases of measles; and already, this year, there have been close to 626 individuals confirmed with measles in 22 states. Indeed, Oregon and Southwest Washington have seen one of the largest recent outbreaks of measles in our country.

Vaccines protect the health of children and adults and save lives, especially those in our community who are most vulnerable. They prevent life-threatening diseases and certain forms of cancer.

Claims that vaccines are unsafe or may cause autism have been disproven by a robust body of medical literature including a recent Danish [study](#), published in the Annals of Internal Medicine, that shows that “MMR vaccination does not increase the risk for autism, does not trigger autism in susceptible children, and is not associated with clustering of autism cases after vaccination.”

[Data](#) show that just for children born in the United States in 2009, routine childhood immunizations will prevent approximately 42,000 early deaths and 20 million cases of disease with savings of more than \$82 billion in societal costs.

Outbreaks of vaccine-preventable diseases have been linked to communities of unvaccinated and under vaccinated individuals.

We urge you to support House Bill 3063. We are counting on your support to take the necessary action to protect the health and welfare of patients in our state.

Regards,

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**From:** [Thomas Peck](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** OPPOSE HB 3063  
**Date:** Monday, April 22, 2019 10:22:54 AM

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To the Joint Subcommittee on Human Services,

I'm writing today as a concerned parent and voter in Oregon. I am opposed to HB 3063 and I want to urge you to vote against it for the following reasons:

- Anything that carries a risk should never be mandated, and vaccines carry risks. The VAERS system has paid over \$4 billion (and counting) to families of vaccine-injured children. There has been an exponential rise in the number of children inflicted with autism, ADHD, severe allergies, auto-immune disorders like lupus and MS, seizures, cancer, the list goes on. The U.S. has the poorest ranked healthcare system in the world (for the 5th year in a row), the highest maternal deaths, the highest infant mortality rate, and the highest numbers of SIDS and SUDC cases. All of this since the 1980s when the childhood vaccine schedule exploded in number while vaccine manufacturers were freed from any liability from the National Childhood Vaccine Injury Act of 1986. Vaccines are still the only medication on the market that has not been tested against a placebo. As parents and as humans we have the right to research and decide on risks and benefits of vaccines just as we would for any other medical procedure. As long as there is **risk**, healthcare freedom must stand.
- The financial impact Oregon faces is huge. HB 3063 has the potential to exclude as many as 31,000 children from k-12 school across the state, the current number of children who attend school while missing at least one dose. At \$13,320 per student the state pays to schools, that is a potential \$412,920,000 loss public programs face. Are Oregon schools ready to handle that financial bombshell, in a time where education budgets are already challenged year after year? How will public health budgets be impacted with all of this increased enforcement over vaccine mandates? Until we have real solutions to these problems, we cannot make hasty decisions based on fear mongering that will have a lasting impact over every school, teacher, and child in this state.
- Along with thousands of healthy children being excluded from a public and private education, over 5,000 special needs children who are missing at least one dose and potentially vaccine injured would also be excluded. These children receive educational, vocational, sight, and speech therapies through their school districts according to their IEPs, which are federally protected, yet they would be removed from their schools, their therapies and programs stopped, their educations essentially dismissed. Oregon needs to support and protect our most fragile and vulnerable students, and support children and families with disabilities.
- HB 3063 violates the Oregon Bill of Rights. Article 1-3 states "No law shall in

any case whatever control the free exercise, and enjoyment of the religious opinions, or interfere with the rights of conscience." Postponing or denying vaccines based on religious belief is a protected right in this state, and I do not support a bill that supersedes the Constitution of our great state based on the grounds of exclusion and fear. Medical coercion is not the path to public health.

PLEASE VOTE NO ON HB 3063.

Sincerely,  
Thomas Peck

Dear Sirs & Madams,

I am writing today to detail my opposition to HB 3063. As our state approaches this topic, discussion, debate, and ultimate vote as it relates to what is essentially forced vaccination of minors, I would like to be sure that the complexity of the issue is not overlooked in favor of superficial rhetoric. There are serious ethical, consumer and medical issues at stake, which are often undermined by the routine parroting of false or incomplete information supplied vaccine manufacturers and other invested parties. In passing HB 3063 you would undermine body sovereignty, informed consent, the need for safety and transparency, religious freedom and the right to public education, all of which are intrinsic to upholding the ideals of a free and open society.

"It takes strong public policy to protect the health of everybody," said Dr. Dana Hargunani, chief medical officer for the Oregon Health Authority.<sup>1</sup> The problem with this is that forced vaccination doesn't protect everybody. It is very easy to see a kid with cancer or an organ transplant and say, "We should do everything we can to protect this child." It's a natural instinct. However, what is repeatedly missed is that vaccinations can and do cause harm to some children. It is a fact acknowledged by the pharmaceutical industry itself and the risks are printed on the product insert.

Based on the overwhelming number of media reports, public health flyers and social media posts, it is clear that the arguments in favor of mass, forced vaccination are that vaccines are inherently safe for all. This argument is absolutely false.

We know for a fact that vaccines are not safe for all. The truth that vaccines carry inherent risk (not safety) is supported by vaccine inserts, which list potential side effects including long term debilitating illnesses such as seizures and Guillain Barre syndrome, the disease itself (as with measles vaccine), as well as anaphylaxis and death<sup>234</sup>; a national vaccine court<sup>5</sup> supported by a vaccine tax that has awarded over 4 billion dollars to vaccine affected persons and families<sup>6</sup>; and the admission by the pharmaceutical industry that it has not done testing on carcinogenesis or mutagenesis of whole vaccines or their components<sup>789</sup>. This is not information fabricated by a fanatical anti-vaccination campaign, but information that is provided by Big Pharma and our government health agencies.

Forced vaccination laws like HB3063 not only ignore the medical mandate to obtain informed consent, but also, they do nothing to advance the safety of vaccines or to identify populations at risk for adverse reactions. As it is, I know of very few medical practitioners and no agencies that assess the risk of vaccines on an individual *prior* to administration. This includes the family doctors and pediatricians serving my family, who have never asked us even basic questions about allergies to vaccine components. In my estimation, inherent risk alone is reason enough for parental choice, because it is the parents who will bear the physical, emotional and financial burden of caring for their vaccine affected child, not legislators and government agencies.

People who argue against this law on this point are overwhelming well-educated. Most of them selectively vaccinate--omitting HPV, chickenpox, and/or Hep A & B--or vaccinate on an alternate schedule. Yet they are branded by the media as Anti-vaxxers. For the vast majority this simply isn't an accurate moniker. They are parents who are demanding safety and choice. Both are reasonable, especially considering the plethora of evidence demonstrating that the organizations that promote mass vaccination are corrupt, incestuous with big pharma, and largely funded by big pharma.

I am not anti-vaccination; I am pro-vaccine safety and pro-choice. My own personal adverse event after a flu vaccination has taught me caution, compassion and the importance of consent around vaccination. My degree in Religious Studies has informed my understanding of religious objections and reinforced my commitment to religious freedom in this country and state. There are no winners if this bill passes. We will all lose if we as a state fail to protect the diversity of thought in which Oregonians take great pride, if we cannot remember the value of autonomy that brought the pioneers West in the first place, and if we ignore the Constitutional mandate to not impede the free exercise of religion. For these reasons and many more, I ask you to denounce HB 3063.

Sincerely,

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<sup>1</sup> The Oregonian. <https://www.oregonlive.com/education/2019/03/hundreds-pack-oregon-hearing-to-oppose-vaccination-bill.html>

<sup>2</sup> Per Merck MMR II product insert: The following adverse reactions are listed in decreasing order of severity, without regard to causality, within each body system category and have been reported during clinical trials, with use of the marketed vaccine, or with use of monovalent or bivalent vaccine containing measles, mumps, or rubella:

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Body as a Whole Panniculitis; **atypical measles**; fever; syncope; headache; dizziness; malaise; irritability. Cardiovascular System Vasculitis. Digestive System Pancreatitis; diarrhea; vomiting; parotitis; nausea. Endocrine System **Diabetes mellitus**. Hemic and Lymphatic System Thrombocytopenia (see WARNINGS, Thrombocytopenia); purpura; regional lymphadenopathy; leukocytosis. Immune System Anaphylaxis and anaphylactoid reactions have been reported as well as related phenomena such as angioneurotic edema (including peripheral or facial edema) and bronchial spasm in individuals with or without an allergic history. 7 Musculoskeletal System Arthritis; arthralgia; myalgia. Arthralgia and/or arthritis (usually transient and rarely chronic), and polyneuritis are features of infection with wild-type rubella and vary in frequency and severity with age and sex, being greatest in adult females and least in prepubertal children. This type of involvement as well as myalgia and paresthesia, have also been reported following administration of MERUVAX II. Chronic arthritis has been associated with wild-type rubella infection and has been related to persistent virus and/or viral antigen isolated from body tissues. Only rarely have vaccine recipients developed chronic joint symptoms. Following vaccination in children, reactions in joints are uncommon and generally of brief duration. In women, incidence rates for arthritis and arthralgia are generally higher than those seen in children (children: 0-3%; women: 12-26%),{17,56,57} and the reactions tend to be more marked and of longer duration. Symptoms may persist for a matter of months or on rare occasions for years. In adolescent girls, the reactions appear to be intermediate in incidence between those seen in children and in adult women. Even in women older than 35 years, these reactions are generally well tolerated and rarely interfere with normal activities. Nervous System Encephalitis; **encephalopathy; measles inclusion body encephalitis (MIBE)** (see CONTRAINDICATIONS); subacute sclerosing panencephalitis (SSPE); Guillain-Barré Syndrome (GBS); acute disseminated encephalomyelitis (ADEM); transverse myelitis; febrile convulsions; afebrile convulsions or seizures; ataxia; polyneuritis; polyneuropathy; ocular palsies; paresthesia. Encephalitis and encephalopathy have been reported approximately once for every 3 million doses of M-M-R II or measles-, mumps-, and rubella-containing vaccine administered since licensure of these vaccines. The risk of serious neurological disorders following live measles virus vaccine administration remains less than the risk of encephalitis and encephalopathy following infection with wild-type measles (1 per 1000 reported cases).{58,59} In severely immunocompromised individuals who have been inadvertently vaccinated with measles-containing vaccine; measles inclusion body encephalitis, pneumonitis, and fatal outcome as a direct consequence of disseminated measles vaccine virus infection have been reported (see CONTRAINDICATIONS). In this population, disseminated mumps and rubella vaccine virus infection have also been reported. **There have been reports of subacute sclerosing panencephalitis (SSPE) in children who did not have a history of infection with wild-type measles but did receive measles vaccine. Some of these cases may have resulted from unrecognized measles in the first year of life or possibly from the measles vaccination.** Based on estimated nationwide measles vaccine distribution, the association of SSPE cases to measles vaccination is about one case per million vaccine doses distributed. This is far less than the association with infection with wild-type measles, 6-22 cases of SSPE per million cases of measles. The results of a retrospective case-controlled study conducted by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention suggest that the overall effect of measles vaccine has been to protect against SSPE by preventing measles with its inherent higher risk of SSPE.{60} Cases of aseptic meningitis have been reported to VAERS following measles, mumps, and rubella vaccination. Although a causal relationship between the Urabe strain of mumps vaccine and aseptic meningitis has been shown, there is no evidence to link Jeryl Lynn™ mumps vaccine to aseptic meningitis. Respiratory System Pneumonia; pneumonitis (see CONTRAINDICATIONS); sore throat; cough; rhinitis. Skin Stevens-Johnson syndrome; erythema multiforme; urticaria; rash; measles-like rash; pruritis. Local reactions including burning/stinging at injection site; wheal and flare; redness (erythema); swelling; induration; tenderness; vesiculation at injection site; Hensch-Schönlein purpura; acute hemorrhagic edema of infancy. Special Senses — Ear Nerve deafness; otitis media. Special Senses — Eye Retinitis; optic neuritis; papillitis; retrobulbar neuritis; conjunctivitis. 8 Urogenital System Epididymitis; orchitis. Other **Death from various, and in some cases unknown, causes has been reported rarely following vaccination with measles, mumps, and rubella vaccines**; however, a causal relationship has not been established in healthy individuals (see CONTRAINDICATIONS). No deaths or permanent sequelae were reported in a published post-marketing surveillance study in Finland involving 1.5 million children and adults who were vaccinated with M-M-R II during 1982 to 1993.{61}

<sup>3</sup> Per Sanofi Pasteur IPOL product insert, pages 17-18: The following adverse events have been identified during postapproval use of IPOL vaccine. 12 Because these events are reported voluntarily from a population of uncertain size, it may not be 13 possible to reliably estimate their frequency or establish a causal relationship to vaccine

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exposure. 14 Adverse events were included based on one or more of the following factors: severity, frequency 15 of reporting or strength of evidence for a causal relationship. 16 • Blood and lymphatic system disorders: lymphadenopathy 17 • General disorders and administration site conditions: agitation, injection site reaction 18 including injection site rash and mass 19 • Immune system disorders: type I hypersensitivity including allergic reaction, anaphylactic 20 reaction, and anaphylactic shock 21 • Musculoskeletal and connective tissue disorders: arthralgia, myalgia 22 • Nervous system disorders: convulsion, febrile convulsion, headache, paresthesia, and 23 somnolence Sanofi Pasteur v 0.1 059 IPOL® 969640 Confidential/Proprietary Information Page 18 of 28 1 • Skin and subcutaneous tissue disorders: rash, urticaria

<sup>4</sup> Per the FDA Infanrix product insert: In addition to reports in clinical trials, worldwide voluntary reports of adverse events received 229 for INFANRIX since market introduction are listed below. This list includes serious events and 230 events that have a plausible causal connection to INFANRIX. These adverse events were 231 reported voluntarily from a population of uncertain size; therefore, it is not always possible to 232 reliably estimate their frequency or establish a causal relationship to vaccination. 233 Infections and Infestations 234 Bronchitis, cellulitis, respiratory tract infection. 235 Blood and Lymphatic System Disorders 236 Lymphadenopathy, thrombocytopenia. 237 Immune System Disorders 238 Anaphylactic reaction, hypersensitivity. 239 Nervous System Disorders 240 Encephalopathy, headache, hypotonia, syncope. 241 Ear and Labyrinth Disorders 242 Ear pain. 243 Cardiac Disorders 244 Cyanosis. 245 Respiratory, Thoracic, and Mediastinal Disorders 246 Apnea, cough. 247 Skin and Subcutaneous Tissue Disorders 248 Angioedema, erythema, pruritus, rash, urticaria. 249 General Disorders and Administration Site Conditions 250 Fatigue, injection site induration, injection site reaction, Sudden **Infant Death Syndrome**.

<sup>5</sup> HRSA. <https://www.hrsa.gov/vaccine-compensation/index.html>

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<sup>7</sup> “M-M-R II has not been evaluated for carcinogenic or mutagenic potential, or potential to impair fertility.” Merck MMR II product insert. [https://www.merck.com/product/usa/pi\\_circulars/m/mmr\\_ii/mmr\\_ii\\_pi.pdf](https://www.merck.com/product/usa/pi_circulars/m/mmr_ii/mmr_ii_pi.pdf)

<sup>8</sup> “INFANRIX has not been evaluated for carcinogenic or mutagenic potential, or for impairment of 325 fertility.” FDA package insert for Infanrix, section 13.

<sup>9</sup> “Long-term studies in animals to evaluate carcinogenic potential or impairment of fertility have not 17 been conducted.” FDA, Sanofi Pasteur IPOL product insert, page 13.

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Dear Representative,

I strongly oppose HB 3063. I am not anti-vax! However, I feel as parents we should be able to make the decision that fits our children best. Each case is different. Nothing should be forced on them!

I am pro-medical-freedom and pro-religious-freedom!

Where there is risk there must be choice and informed consent.

In then last 20 years 183 children have died from the MMR vaccine according to the CDC.  
12 children died from measles and none in the last 7 years.

If passed a child with a confirmed case of Hepatitis could attend school but a healthy child who has not received the vaccine could not. Who poses the grater risk?

VAERS has paid out more than \$4 billion to vaccine injured families.

\$1.5 million was just awarded to a family of a child with autism proven caused by a vaccine.

The risk is real!

Only doctors and family should make medical decisions for children!

We MUST protect religious freedom our country was founded on. Since fats sow the vaccines contain DNA from aborted babies many object to injecting their children with that DNA for religious reasons.

PLEASE VOTE NO on this bill!

Tiffanie Ruby

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This is my testimony and opposition for proposed HB 3063

This bill restricts exemptions that my son would not fall in. I have avoided vaccinations because my son had an egg allergy growing up. His allergy is not severe enough to qualify for a medical exemption. The risks and WARNINGS ON THE VACCINE INCERTS do not outweigh their benefits.

This bill would remove my ability to make choices for my family's, LIFE, LIBERTY and the PURSUIT of HAPPINESS! As stated in the Declaration of Independence. The very document YOU are to defend and be a strict example of.

This bill DOES NOT support safety in vaccinations. This bill DOES NOT hold ANYONE liable for vaccine injuries; those are paid by the injured children's ruined lives and financially by us tax payers.

DON'T make this hasty decision. WHAT IS YOUR HURRY? If you are truly for safety, PROVE IT, do your diligence to have these products tested by a NON FINANCIALLY invested party. I do not believe YOU, committee are qualified to determine if a product is safe or not. What have you done to protect your citizens?

I have attached a video from 1994 Tobacco Company CEO's Testify Before Congress that nicotine is not addictive. Rep. (D) Ron Wyden asked Seven CEO's from the Tobacco industry if nicotine was addictive and all seven testified in Congress that they were NOT addictive. Who is now saying that Vaccines are safe and effective?

Have you balanced this bill to your moral compass?

OPPOSE HB 3063

Tiffany Brabb  
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[https://youtu.be/e\\_ZDQKq2F08](https://youtu.be/e_ZDQKq2F08)

Sent from my iPhone

Dear **Legislator**,

As a Medical Student at Oregon Health and Science University, I am writing on behalf of medical professionals everywhere, to urge action on non-medical exemptions from state immunization laws.

I am very concerned about the recent surge in vaccine preventable diseases such as measles. In 2018, there were 372 confirmed cases of measles; and already, this year, there have been close to 626 individuals confirmed with measles in 22 states. Indeed, Oregon and Southwest Washington have seen one of the largest recent outbreaks of measles in our country.

Vaccines protect the health of children and adults and save lives, especially those in our community who are most vulnerable. They prevent life-threatening diseases and certain forms of cancer.

Claims that vaccines are unsafe or may cause autism have been disproven by a robust body of medical literature including a recent Danish [study](#), published in the Annals of Internal Medicine, that shows that “MMR vaccination does not increase the risk for autism, does not trigger autism in susceptible children, and is not associated with clustering of autism cases after vaccination.”

[Data](#) show that just for children born in the United States in 2009, routine childhood immunizations will prevent approximately 42,000 early deaths and 20 million cases of disease with savings of more than \$82 billion in societal costs.

Outbreaks of vaccine-preventable diseases have been linked to communities of unvaccinated and under vaccinated individuals.

We urge you to support House Bill 3063. We are counting on your support to take the necessary action to protect the health and welfare of patients in our state.

Yours truly,  
Tiffany Lee

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Parents and doctors should work together to decide what is best for the child and or the family when it comes to vaccinations. These chemicals are known neurotoxins and data to provide support that this may harm and that is NOT OK!  
CHOICE ON THIS MATTERS!

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As a citizen of the State of Oregon for nearly 14 years, I am writing to express my opposition to HB3063. Simply stated, this Bill would be a GROSS over-reach of Government power and oversight into the personal and religious rights and freedom of Oregonians. If you will take the time to read this letter in its entirety it will give you very comprehensive insights into this very complex debate.

It is clear that this Bill has triggered strong emotions from all sides, and I do believe that everyone involved has the best of intentions, regardless of their stance. The key to making progress is that we all need to be open to hear each other's beliefs, fears, and concerns with the goal of coming to a consensus that is based in facts and logic. As it is, there is too much negativity and projection in opposing groups and there is a dangerous lack of compassion and understanding.

What I would like to present is my perspective on an immeasurably complex issue. I have spent my career of over 30 years unraveling the world of health and wellness. I learned early on that mainstream health care wasn't what I was told growing up: which is that medicine and science were the undisputed knowledgeable masters of all things related to health and wellness, and that you should listen and respect the authorities on the subject. The realization that conventional medicine didn't have all the answers motivated me to find the true path to achieving health and wellness, which I have found in the form of holistic health and nutrition. In my career focusing on this I have come to see what most people don't, which is that only the individual has the power to create and maintain health through their lifestyle and nutrition choices. There are no magical pills, injections, or doctors that will do it for you.

We are now faced with a very challenging question about the role that vaccines play in the pursuit of health and wellness. Vaccines, like any drug therapy are in no way intended to make the recipient healthier. Drug therapy is a trade off, at best. Introducing foreign chemicals into the human body may create a biochemical reaction and/or metabolic shift to create a targeted effect, but there will always be unintended effects that will have a net-negative effect on the recipient. In the case of vaccines, the drug may create some vaccine-induced immunity, but the trade-off is the introduction of foreign substances into the blood stream. The presence of these foreign substances is freely disclosed by manufacturers via vaccine insert

documentation, as well as disclosure by the CDC on their web platforms. These foreign substances include known neurotoxins, carcinogens, endocrine disruptors, antigens, human and animal DNA fragments, and proteins that would otherwise never find their way directly into the human blood stream. With any vaccine there is no question that there is unintended, collateral damage being done; the only question is how much damage is being done. Knowing this is an inherent flaw with vaccines makes it a critical matter that individuals have the freedom to choose whether to drug themselves and their children, knowing they are taking on these inherent risks, or to choose to not drug themselves and their children, after rejecting these inherent risks.

Where there is risk, there must be choice.

With the recent outbreaks of Measles there has been a disproportionate and hysterical over-reaction fueled by industry interests and biased media. Case in point is Oregon's declared State of Emergency over 14 confirmed cases of measles (1), as well as the police state emergency that is under effect in Rockland County, NY with only 5 confirmed cases of Measles, and forced vaccination, essentially at gun-point in Brooklyn, NY. Nationwide, even the smallest of outbreak is being leveraged by the medical/pharmaceutical industry to ramp up more fear, and to push out propoganda to advanced their business interests. With their undue influence over government, they have set in motion and lobby for these laws that will only further their agenda. Unknowing lawmakers fall victim to this biased information and jump onboard their agenda, perhaps with good intent or just because they think it is politically savvy. From the politicians to the people, this becomes a case of 'the blind leading the blind', with neither one really knowing enough about vaccination to make an informed decision, yet they both believe that they do because of ongoing Pharmaceutical and medical industry conditioning. This is exactly what the industry wants and it is how they trick the general public into thinking this is all about humanitarianism and public health, and not what it is really about: more guaranteed profits and control of peoples medical decisions. It also fosters the horrible 'us vs. them' mentality that has turned the dialog into 'pro-vax vs. anti-vax', 'science vs. uninformed', etc. when the reality is exceptionally complex.

The truth is that infectious disease will never go away, and there is no way that humans will ever outsmart pathogens to the point where they disappear. Pathogens are part of the global ecosystem and they have a unique ability to adapt and thrive. They are nature's garbage collectors: always ready to

expose and challenge anyone or anything that is weak enough to be vulnerable. Robust host immunity is the only insurance that will protect someone, and the only way to achieve that is with healthy lifestyle choices and nutrition. There is no drug or vaccine that will ever achieve this goal. When fighting pathogens, the best we can do is to control them, which we do very well with time-tested best practices for infectious disease control. Namely: early detection, medical treatment when possible, and quarantine protocols. These simple strategies, along with improvements in sanitation, water treatment, and nutrition for the masses have given humanity a reliable way to prevent and control epidemics for more than a century. Despite the cries of industry and corrupt media, we presently have no infectious disease crisis and there is no real emergency.

Historically, vaccines came into the picture after these other improvements were already in place, and as such they have a questionable role in the overall picture of infectious disease control. Vaccines have been hailed as being solely responsible for controlling infectious disease, when there is merely circumstantial evidence to support this. As is often stated by vaccine advocates to exonerate themselves from any vaccine damages or injuries, correlation does not prove causation. The correlation of vaccine implementation along with all these other public health improvements does not mean that only vaccines are the cause of reductions in infectious disease. They may have played a part, but clearly they do not deserve all the credit either. The pharmaceutical and medical industry has run wild with the idea that humanity would be overwhelmed with infectious disease without vaccines, yet there is no evidence to support this. Evidence to the contrary is more compelling in fact, if you recognize that most of the adult population does not have any vaccine-induced immune protection (see detailed points below), and the pervasive belief that we are being protected by herd immunity is unrealistic.

Due to the overwhelming power and control of the pharmaceutical and medical industries over the last century, this narrative of vaccines being the one and only way that humanity has been saved from the onslaught of infectious disease has been cemented into every corner of our belief systems. Despite the ideological and practical failures of vaccines, the narrative continues to grow by force of time, repetition, and misuse of authority. We are now living in a society where most people honestly believe that the existing medical and drug therapy models are the only legitimate forms of health care. Collectively we have lost sight of what true health is, and how

we actually achieve it. We have given up our innate powers and connection to the only things that actually can make us healthy: living in sync with nature, and proper diet and lifestyle choices. Responsibility for our health has been co-opted by what are now the most profitable businesses in the world: The medical/pharmaceutical/insurance industrial complex. Clearly we are not getting what we have been promised. What we have is a health care system that only succeeds when people are sick. Creating health is not the true motive. Profit is. Healthy people are not profitable, and neither are dead people; but all the sick people in between are very profitable. And they are doing an outstanding job of creating a lot of sick people. Truth be told, we don't have a health care system, we have a sick care system.

Everything the medical and pharmaceutical industries do, including all standards of care, are driven exclusively by profitability, yet outwardly to the uninformed public they project the myth that they are doing everything for the betterment of humanity. This is the big lie of our current conventional health care systems.

We need to break the spell that has been cast by conventional medicine and take back our innate rights to control our own health. Ultimately it is only the individual that has the power to create and maintain health. There is a place for conventional medicine and drug therapy, but the overall balance of power and control must become more balanced. Conventional medicine must be reframed as the last line of defense for when all other health-building interventions have failed, and conventional therapies defined for what they are, for better or worse. If individuals take back their power and responsibility, they will also take back their resources, which can be redirected into actual health building practices and therapies. Humanity and the world will be better for it. If we choose to remove the shackles of the medical/pharmaceutical industrial complex we can easily solve the health problems of the world and all the unsustainable economics that it creates. It is clear to see that there is no other way out of this mess, and this is where the focus should be for government intervention and reform.

We stand at a place of reckoning, where the medical/pharmaceutical industry knows that their stranglehold on humanity is unraveling as people awake to the truth that they are being preyed upon. The industries response is to go on the offensive and use all their power and corruption to push mandated medicine on us. Incrementally they have pushed forward and normalized the idea that drugs create health, and it seems that most of humanity believes the lies. Humanity must refuse to allow this and take this opportunity to push

back and demand a better system. The intent of the industry becomes self-evident when you recognize the tactics that they employ to push their agenda. Through the media and government they control the narrative through institutional ‘gas-lighting’, bullying, and censorship. The current witch-hunt on unvaccinated children is a clear example of this, and the fact that they will not allow any dissenting opinions.

No industry should be immune from criticism from consumers, or as is the case with vaccines, immunity from any liability for their products (see points below). In a capitalistic society we have the right as consumers to define markets by open, honest evaluation of products and services, and whether or not we choose to use or employ any product or service. The medical/pharmaceutical industries have manipulated and withheld critical information that has twisted American public opinion in their favor. If these drugs merits matched up with consumer confidence, there would be no need for mandates to force people to use them. Let the markets decide the fate of vaccines, without coercion or mandates.

If we really want to support health and wellness of Oregon’s citizens we should be focusing on long-term strategies that support health and wellness, and as a result this will reinforce individual host immunity. There are hundreds of ways that the government can support health and wellness Statewide, and the overall fiscal impact of redirecting programs and funding would save millions, if not billions of dollars. I would be happy to offer my guidance to these ends. It isn’t difficult; the decision just needs to be made to do what is right for the people, not corporations. There is no excuse for our government to be beholden to any industry, and it is clear that HB3063 is the worst case of corporate influenced legislation, perhaps in history.

Despite all the certainty the pro-vaccine lobby puts forth about the safety and effectiveness of vaccines, I would like to point out several simple truths:

1) Vaccines are not 100% effective.

It is freely acknowledged by the CDC that efficacy rates can vary greatly. This may show up three ways:

- A) Some recipients that are non-responders and get no vaccine-induced immunity.
- B) Some recipients will get vaccine-induced immunity, but it will wane over time. General expectations for immunity duration following vaccination are 2-10 years.

C) A small percentage of recipients will get lifelong vaccine-induced immunity.

Given the fact that we do not have any statistics to know the overall vaccine-induced immunity of the population over time, there are many assumptions being made about how much benefit is being derived from vaccination programs.

- 2) Which ties directly into a critique of the much-heralded **Herd Immunity** concept. Just consider that the goal percentages that are projected for the population to achieve herd immunity (93-95%) are assuming that all adults who have been vaccinated still hold full vaccine-induced immunity. As I have established in point #1, this is impossible. Also add in the fact that most adults have never even had vaccines that were implemented after their childhood years. The truth is that the number of unvaccinated children in the population is minuscule compared to the number of adults that do not have vaccine-induced immunity.

Scapegoating and targeting unvaccinated children, as being a risk to society has no basis in fact or logic.

(Note: If you aren't aware already, the next step in this vaccine crusade is to force vaccination on every adult (HHS footnote 2 below). If HB3063 and other laws like it are passed, soon thereafter there will be more vaccine failures and disease outbreaks. Unvaccinated and previously vaccinated adults will become the next group to be scapegoated and targeted for mandatory vaccination).

- 3) There is no evidence that unvaccinated population's pose any threat to vaccinated populations. Recent outbreaks have all included vaccinated people who were assumed to hold immunity. This is not a failure of unvaccinated people; this is a failure of vaccines. If the vaccines truly worked as they are billed, then no one that has been vaccinated would ever be infected or have to worry about vaccine protected disease. Unvaccinated populations are being used as a scapegoat, when the real problem is that vaccines are inherently flawed in their design and application, and the industry is trying to deflect blame onto unvaccinated populations.
- 4) It is widely acknowledged that live-virus containing vaccines can cause the disease in the person being vaccinated, as well as

possible transmission to other people, whether they are vaccinated or not. Given this inherent flaw in vaccines, these diseases will never be controlled to the point of never having outbreaks. We will always have to come back to the basic and effective containment protocols for infectious disease outbreaks: identification, quarantine, and treatment. Infectious diseases are part of naturally resilient, and humans will never completely eradicate them with vaccines.

- 5) There has never been double-blind placebo testing for any vaccines comparing vaccinated vs. unvaccinated populations (using an INERT PLACEBO). This type of testing is the gold standard of the scientific community, and every other drug that is approved by the FDA must meet this standard.
- 6) There has never been testing done on the full-recommended CDC childhood vaccination schedule: 69 doses of 16 vaccines from birth to 18 years, with 50 dosed before the age of six (3).  
Never has the cumulative effect been studied.
- 7) There are known connections to an array of vaccine injuries (4). These are acknowledged and disclosed by the vaccine producers, and contained in vaccine product inserts and the CDC. By law, these risks are required to be disclosed by doctors to anyone being administered, although this disclosure is often ignored.
- 8) There are known neurotoxins, carcinogens, and endocrine disruptors in various vaccines, including Thimerisol (mercury), Aluminum, Formaldehyde, and Polysorbate-80 (5,6).
- 9) No vaccines have been tested for carcinogenic potential, mutagenic potential, and impairment of fertility.  
This is clearly stated in Section 13 of vaccine inserts.
- 10) The government and pharmaceutical industry know that people are being injured. They established VAERS (Vaccine Adverse Event Reporting System) in 1986, which established a Federal vaccine court to administer to vaccine injuries, using money collected with an excise tax to vaccine consumers. To date there have been over \$4 billion dollars paid out to victims (7) and this is with a maximum payout per victim of \$250,000, even in the case of death. It is also

estimated that only 1% of vaccine injuries are ever reported to VAERS (Health and Human Services (HHS)). VAERS along with subsequent amendments, also shield vaccine producers from direct litigation from consumers. To my knowledge, this is the only product on the planet that holds this dubious distinction.

Given these inconvenient truths, as well as the knowledge that clinical trials and statistics may be manipulated to suit the needs of those with interests in funding and conducting these studies, calls to question the validity of vaccine science. There is no real credibility to the story that the vaccine industry has built. It is quite clear that the science is NOT settled.

For these reasons, I, as a well-educated and intelligent parent, believe there are too many unanswered questions and too many red flags to be blindly giving my faith over to the vaccine and medical industries. My overarching belief is that medicine should only be used as a last resort and in cases of emergency need. I know vaccination fundamentally goes against my beliefs and knowledge of what constitutes health, and can only have a negative long-term effect on health and immunity.

Other significant issues that deserve consideration are:

HB3063 would trample on the rights of Oregon's citizens. Given all that I have outlined above, the idea of mandating vaccination on any level is a gross over-reaching of government, as well as a gross misuse of power and influence by the pharmaceutical and medical establishment. Mandating vaccines is an unlawful and predatory act that would do nothing but cement the profits of these industries.

As homeowners in Bend, we pay City property taxes, State taxes, and Federal taxes. Funding for public schools comes from all these sources. Therefore it is our right to utilize the services that we pay for. For lawmakers to unlawfully coerce citizens to vaccinate with the threat of withholding public education would be a gross violation of our rights.

And finally, I believe this would be a gross human rights violation (8). As simply as I can state it: I don't believe that injecting foreign and potentially toxic substances into my bloodstream will make me, or anyone else healthier.

You have an important choice to make and I implore you to make the moral choice to oppose HB3063.

History will define you by this.

Sincerely,

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**Subject:** Toby Rogers Ph.D. (testimony) re: HB 3063  
**Date:** Monday, April 22, 2019 4:50:08 PM  
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Dear Ms. Byerly and Mr. Sorenson:

Greetings. Attached please find my testimony in connection with HB 3063 which I understand will be heard on 4/24/2019 in the Joint Committee On Ways and Means Subcommittee On Human Services. Please let me know if you have any questions or need anything else from me.

All the best,  
Toby Rogers

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Toby Rogers  
Ph.D., University of Sydney  
M.P.P., University of California  
B.A., Swarthmore College  
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**From:** [Travis Wagar](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** HB 3063 - my views as a parent and a Democrat  
**Date:** Monday, April 22, 2019 10:29:39 PM

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To whom it may concern,

My name is Travis Wagar. I have lived in Oregon since 2005 and, before that, in Vancouver WA, which always felt like an extension of Portland, since 1984. I am a business owner since 2007. Oregon has always had a huge impact on me and is my home.

I grew up in a republican house but have sided almost exclusively with Democrats for the last couple elections including voting democrat for the senate and house, as well as For Kate Brown. My views have changed and I am a person who supports a more liberal point of view and way of governing. But those pushing HB 3063 are testing my loyalty.

To say that I feel that my rights are being encroached upon is beyond an understatement. HB 3063 is the greatest overreach I've experienced as a citizen for my 40 years of life. I support vaccines and the development of vaccines but I DO NOT and WILL NOT ever support a bill or way of thinking that takes the decision away from me as a parent and citizen of the United States.

I have personal views on abortion that do not always align with the Democratic Party but I have still voted Democrat because I understand that this is a question of rights and the ability to choose what an individual wants to do with their body. How is the same party that fights for a woman's right to choose the same party that removes a parent's right to choose?! This is the offense of this bill.

I am more ok with vaccines whose ingredients fit with what I have researched to be good for myself and my children, as well as, vaccines that have been tested in a more vigorous and comprehensive way. Especially in our current medical environment of over 100 auto immune diseases. Caution makes sense. You would apply that caution to using a drug and reserve the right to refuse, no matter what your doctor thinks. Ultimately, it MUST be my decision whether a vaccine works for myself and my kids.

Passing this bill will turn me away from the Democratic Party in Oregon and nationally. And this encroachment will create a highly motivated advocate for those who oppose you.

The heart and primary motivation for what is written in the Constitution is liberty. HB 3063 is against "being free within society from oppressive restrictions imposed by authority on one's way of life...".

Do not pass this bill. Find a compromise, because this bill is precisely antithetical to the idea of personal liberty. It will shake many who currently support you. Please see how this will turn many who agree with you on so many ways of governing because of the nature of your overreach.

Travis Wagar

**From:** [Karen Pane](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** HB3063  
**Date:** Wednesday, April 24, 2019 12:17:40 PM

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As a democrat in Oregon, I urge you to vote NO on HB3063.

The bill along with proposed, very restrictive amendments are damaging to so many fragile kids. Families don't want to have kids who react to vaccines, that is the hand they were dealt. Parents are against 3063 to keep their kids safe, not to put others at risk. The one size fits all vaccine schedule, robs from Peter to pay Paul.

One year is not enough to catch up a child starting from the beginning of the schedule. Those that say it is, should be asked where the studies are that prove this approach, as that is not the normal course of action and had not been proved out.

This bill is irresponsible in its content and proposed execution.

Respectfully,

Karen Pane  
Tigard, Oregon

**From:** [Karen Preskenis](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** No on HB-3036  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 23, 2019 8:38:12 PM

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To Whom it may concern;

I am for vaccinations but I'm not for Measure HB-3036. This measure impinges on the rights of all parents.

I am writing to ask you to **VOTE NO on measure HB-3063 and any ammendments.**

**Parents' rights to determine medical treatment for their children should not be overturned by government mandated vaccinations.**

I hope for the best when I vaccinate my children but when I read the inserts to the vaccines after they have one, I find it disconcerting to read the list of possible adverse affects. I know of children who are not as fortunate and have had some of those adverse reactions to vaccines.

I understand there are good intentions behind the measure but it should not be our politicians who decide on the health of our children nor what few medical exceptions will be allowed under HB-3063.

**PLEASE VOTE NOT ON MEASURE HB-3063 AND ANY AMMENDMENTS**

Sincerely,  
Karen Preskenis Perrin

**From:** [Karissa](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#); [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** HB 3063  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 23, 2019 10:27:15 AM

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I urge you to put freedom of choice and privacy above blanket vaccination. Reasoning to file exemption from vaccination varies per family. We should have the right to protect our children. While there are many families who already choose to homeschool, there will be many who will be forced into homeschool. The financial hardships will be devastating to many. The lack of social contact with peers will be traumatic for the children. More families will rely on state funding to support them. The schools will lose much of their funding. The day care centers will have to close their doors unable to earn enough to keep them open to children who are 100% vaccinated, thus also affecting pro-vac families. This bill must not go forward. I ask you to please consider the impact, not only on the families, but the communities and the state as a whole.

Thank you for your time,  
Karissa Reich

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**From:** [Katie Boone](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** HB 3063  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 23, 2019 7:42:00 AM

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To whom it may concern,

I am a Bend, Oregon mother and an RN. I am strongly opposed to HB 3063. I believe that it is shameful that certain children risk having their education compromised because they may be lacking one or more vaccines. This constitutes a major government overreach! Person freedom, including medical freedom, is one of our rights as citizens of this country. This bill puts our freedom in jeopardy!

Sincerely,

Katie Boone

Bend, OR

541-788-5665

**From:** [Kate speake](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** Written Testimony to be submitted for HB 3063  
**Date:** Monday, April 22, 2019 11:58:23 AM

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To Whom this may Concern,

I am emailing to let you know that I strongly oppose HB 3063 for several reasons, listed below.

Key points on why this bill should not pass

- 31,500 students will be forced to leave school
- The overall cost if all 31,500 students leave school is an estimated 410,000,000 million dollars in potential annual loss to schools. So even if only half of the children leave the schools that is still 204 Million dollars, to a school budget that is already short.
- The way legislation is written Medical exemptions would be very hard to obtain. They also go against recommendations put forth by the CDC regarding who should/shouldn't get a vaccine. This bill also does not take into consideration family history or genetic conditions.
- The vaccination rates in Oregon are very high.
- If a child is missing one vaccine, they must file an exemption so the child could be 98% vaccinated and still show as an exemption filed. So not every exemption means the children are fully unvaccinated, the parents may be on a delayed schedule or they don't believe in injecting their children with Aborted Fetal Tissue (DNA). 14 Vaccines contain Aborted Fetal DNA and have never been tested for mutagenesis or carcinogenic effects.
- Merk (one of the makers of MMR) has been under a lawsuit since 2010 for falsifying data put forth regarding the efficacy of the MMR vaccine.
- Current litigation has been filed by Robert Kennedy jr and his legal team, against the four companies that make the 72 Vaccines on the CDC schedule. Why are we mandating something be put into other Humans bodies that currently has litigation filed against them for falsifying data?

As someone who at one point had no say as to what was inject into my body and still suffer from those consequences today (I served for 9 years in the Marine Corps), that is something I would never wish or want for my children and is a clear violation of our Constitutional rights. Never did I think I would serve my country honorably and fight for others to have freedoms, to have our own freedoms stripped away in the United States. To have to run and search for other states within America, that will continue to uphold our freedoms and values as citizens, is sickening. This is not the America that I fought to defend. Oppose HB 3063.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Kate Speake (USMC)

**From:** [Katelin Ferrin](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 23, 2019 6:58:15 PM

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No on HB 3063 iam a parent and I have a choice  
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**From:** [Katerina Cam](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** HB3063  
**Date:** Wednesday, April 24, 2019 5:58:01 AM

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To whom it may concern:

I'm no one of importance, just a housewife in the small city of Woodburn, but I'm also a U.S. citizen and a mother of 5 children. We should matter too. I belong to a very large religious community of Russian Orthodox Old Believers with strong beliefs on how and what we do to our bodies. But what those beliefs are isn't even the issue right now, what does matter is that we live in a country that has always protected our beliefs, protected our freedom of religion. That is why our ancestors came to America, to escape the communism and religious persecution they were enduring in Russia and China. To give their future generations a greater chance at a better life, with religious freedom, a right to choose in what way they wanted to raise their children, and that includes what they put into their bodies. I am not against modern medicine, there have been some amazing advancements that most certainly save lives, but I am against being forced to put something into my healthy child, by the governments control, by the governments schedule. What happened to "My body, My choice"?? House Bill 3063 is unconstitutional and deep down everyone knows this.

Our ancestors chose Oregon because of its diversity and beautiful land. It has been an amazing place to grow up and now to raise our children, and we would be devastated to leave it, but to protect our rights as human beings we would have no choice. My husband and I are now talking about where else in the U.S. we could thrive as much as we have in Oregon. And believe me when I say we are not the only ones. We have a 15 year old daughter that now has a very opinionated mind of her own, she has every right to have a voice about what goes into her body, and she is now saying she will drop out of high school if this bill passes. That's just unacceptable. A child feeling like they have no other choice but to stop their education just to protect their beliefs.

The only other option for us would be to pull our children out of public schooling and homeschool, but with 7 mouths to feed in our household that just doesn't seem feasible. But of course still be forced to pay a state tax for public schools that we are no longer allowed into. But like I said, what choice do we have? We will not be bullied into going against our religious beliefs.

Is this what Oregon has come to? Why are we being targeted when we are the minority? 96% of Oregon IS vaccinated! The current exemptions have always worked, why change them now? Is Oregon truly prepared for the outcome of passing this bill? State funding needs to be used to keep kids IN schools not to get them OUT! Please I urge you to support and protect children's education and futures, and the jobs of the amazing teachers in Oregon.

Thank you for your time.

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** [Kathleen](#)  
**To:** [Sen Beyer](#); [Rep Nosse](#); [Sen Heard](#); [Sen Wagner](#); [Rep Hayden](#); [Rep Salinas](#); [Rep Schouten](#); [Rep Stark](#)  
**Cc:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** HB 3063  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 23, 2019 9:49:21 PM  
**Attachments:** [Brown quote.png](#)

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Dear Committee Members,

Today I was in Salem to attend the rally that opposed HB 3063. I will be unable to attend the hearing in the morning. I am writing to tell you how devastated that I am that my family is literally being forced out of Oregon for exercising **our basic, human right to informed medical decision making**. I am a lifelong Democrat. I have been stunned at how unresponsive the Democrats have been to the countless messages and calls I have left with their offices. I am truly appalled that you can pass a law that will directly impact my child's health and most of you (Democrats) didn't even bother to ask me how. I have a large support network of family and friends here, and many, many years of memories and a deep love for this state. Now, in order to find people who will protect my right to informed medical decision making, I will be forced to move hundred of miles away to a Red state and forced to leave a Party that I have supported for for nearly 3 decades. I feel so betrayed by this Democratic overreach, that it has shaken me to my core. I humbly ask you all to please read the contraindications for vaccination on a **vaccine manufacturer's insert**. You will find that they do NOT align with the CDC or ACIP recommendations. They are far less stringent than the ACIP and CDC recommendations. Our child is not eligible for a medical exemption because of this. How can you punish nearly 35,000 of us for taking precautions to protect our child from a product that isn't even liable for damages due to the passage of the National Childhood Vaccine Injury Act of 1986.42 USC 201?

Please don't force me to violate my moral and ethical duties to my own child. Please support the sound medical ethical principal of of informed consent, which in this case includes preserving a conscientious exemption to vaccination.

Attached you will see a quote that Governor Kate Brown Tweeted out today. I urge you to please listen to her and not "**rob Oregonians of their right to make their own decisions about health issues**".

Thank you.

Sincerely,  
Kathleen Legler



**Governor Kate Brown** ✓

@OregonGovBrown

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Senator Lee Beyer, Co-Chair  
Representative Rob Nosse, Co-Chair  
Human Services Sub Committee

Monday, April 22, 2019

Testimony in opposition of HB 3063 Mandatory Vaccination Bill

Chairpersons Lee Beyer, Rob Nosse and members of the Committee,

My name is Kathleen Ulrich and I am a resident of Portland, OR. I am writing this testimony in opposition of HB 3063 because I am the parent of a vaccine injured child. When my daughter was 9 months old she received the Prevnar vaccine at a well baby check and woke up in the middle of the night (same day) with severe facial swelling. We consider ourselves very lucky that this was not an anaphylactic attack since it came on while she was sleeping.



Over the course of the next 5 months she had 18 additional “reactions” that involved either facial swelling, severe hives or unexplained bruising. Over those 5 months we saw an allergist, hematologist, dermatologist and of course her pediatrician on many occasions. We visited the emergency room twice, I physically restrained her for blood draws on 5 separate occasions, we received Epi-pens, we tried a number of different medications (all of which resulted in additional symptoms) and we eliminated foods from her diet. About mid-way through this ordeal her pediatrician asked us to please not give her any additional vaccines. I heard similar sentiments from other healthcare professionals, when we told them that we currently weren’t giving her any vaccines most replied with “Oh good, she shouldn’t get anything while this is going on”.



Most people would assume that my daughter would be eligible for a medical exemption given the severity of her reaction and the medical advice that we have received. We have inquired about getting one, but our pediatrician does not give medical exemptions while personal exemptions are available and from what I've seen she may not qualify for one based on the current policy. So we rely on our ability to choose not to give her any vaccines by using a personal belief exemption. We rely on our ability to work with her pediatrician to weigh the risks associated with vaccines. And for her, the risk of systemic inflammation and autoimmune disease outweigh any benefit that the vaccine might provide. To deny our right to informed consent and her right to an education is wrong.



Thankfully she has not had a reaction in just over 6 months but I still check her face for swelling every single day, I feel her head for the tell tale inflammation that let me know that she was going to have a reaction, and I feel my heart skip a beat every time she has a bruise or a red mark on her skin. We went through five months of terror and the unknown, that's a quarter of her life so far. If this had happened after she received a dose on any other type of medication it would be in her chart not to give it to her again for her own safety. Why is a vaccine any different? Please help me to continue to protect her by utilizing my right as her mother to refuse a medical treatment that might harm her.



*Healthy Arden, 6 months after receiving the vaccine*

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Kathleen Ulrich

[katie.m.ulrich@gmail.com](mailto:katie.m.ulrich@gmail.com)

**From:** [kathy sheanjones](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** Written testimony regarding HB3063  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 23, 2019 6:24:32 PM

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Dear Committee Members

I am writing to ask your opposition to HB3063.

We are not a “one size fits all” society. Parents need to have the choice to weigh child’s health history and medical background into the decision to vaccinate on CDC schedule, or choose an alternate schedule including choosing not to vaccinate. I am a NeuroMovement practitioner who deals with many medically fragile children. Injecting neuro-toxins that cross the blood-brain barrier can have HUGELY different implications given to a neuro-typical child versus a child who suffers from cerebral palsy, severe seizures, or other genetic conditions (to name just a few). I feel, these decisions need to be kept in the realm of parents and doctors, rather than legislators who have no medical training. There is much research still needed and it is right to question an industry that has no responsibility regarding any damages incurred from their products. Why is there a 4 billion dollar fund to make reparations to families who have experienced vaccine injury? There **must** be more and better research, WITH control groups. There has never been a study around the sheer quantity of vaccinations and/or how they interact with each other. Mandating vaccines will only cause more pain and suffering on so many levels. This is clearly a complicated issued that will not be solved with a “one size fits all” solution.

Here are links to a couple of articles you may find informative:

Regarding Vaccine compensation:

<https://www.hrsa.gov/sites/default/files/hrsa/vaccine-compensation/data/monthly-stats-january-2019.pdf>

Regarding Measles Vaccination:

<https://www.nvic.org/vaccines-and-diseases/measles/measles-vaccine-injury-death.aspx>

Thank you for your consideration. Please be informed.

Respectfully,

Kathy Shean-Jones

NeuroMovement® Professional

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**From:** [Katie abbott](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** Oppose HB 3063  
**Date:** Thursday, April 25, 2019 7:52:14 AM

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As a pro-vaccine mother and licensed public school teacher in Oregon, we are writing to let you know we are opposed to HB 3063. And urge you to not pass this legislation.

We have been and always will be pro-choice when it comes to our bodies and medical procedures, therapies and medications. No two human stories are the same and with proper education and access we believe that each person can and will make the right decisions for their bodies and their families.

This bill is opening a door to a very slippery slope. It is not about health and safety it is about compliance. A wolf in sheep's clothing. We urge you to shut this nonsense down.

Katie and Derek  
Lake Oswego, OR

Sent from my iPhone, please excuse any clumsy finger spelling errors ;).

**From:** [Katie Anzalone](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** HB 3063  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 23, 2019 8:49:15 PM

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Hello,

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> I am writing to voice my concerns about HB3063. First off, I would like to mention that I do vaccinate my son, but I believe this bill to be discriminatory and against human rights, affecting thousands of families in Oregon.

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> These families either do not vaccinate because of health reasons discussed with their doctors (that will not be included in the list of OHA exemptions) or vaccinate on an alternative schedule because they feel it is safer for health reasons or because they do not feel safe giving multiple vaccines together when they have not been tested together.

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> All of these children deserve the right to an education. Medical choices should be made by the individual families and their doctors. After all, there are slight risks with vaccines- with risks, there must be a choice.

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> I also feel that with Oregon's high K-12 vaccination rate, there is no need for this bill.

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> Thank you,

> Katie Anzalone

**From:** [fwisbie@gmail.com](mailto:fwisbie@gmail.com)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** HB 3063  
**Date:** Wednesday, April 24, 2019 3:06:53 PM

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Hello,

I am a mother to three boys and have chosen to vaccinate every one of them with the confidence in modern science and with the commitment to do my part in protecting fellow members of my community. While I hope most people would chose to vaccinate (and the majority do), I recognize there are always going to be skeptics around the safety of these public health efforts. I have friends, for example, who choose nutritional medicine over traditional drugs to manage their chronic diseases. I would never feel OK with the government coming in and telling them they had to take drugs in lieu of alternative (and seemingly effective) treatment. I lean this way with regard to childhood vaccination as well.

I also understand that my neighbor's choice to not vaccinate their child has the potential for a negative direct impact on my children and other children in my community. That does concern me, and I appreciate the aim of HB 3063 in addressing this. However, I am inclined to say the current language and consequences laid out in this bill do not have it quite right. After all, the primary population we are aiming to protect are children. By limiting kids' access to school and related activities, in the event their parents have chose to not vaccinate, we only further to negatively impact them. I believe ruling with a carrot, versus a stick is a better policy overall. And perhaps, with that approach, we might reach a better alternative for encouraging families to vaccinate - more community education on the safety of current vaccines, more community outreach by doctors and medical leadership to listen and engage with fearful community members, etc.

For now, I must oppose HB 3063 and support an alternative approach to ensuring public health and safety where vaccines are concerned.

Thank you.

Katie Bunten  
Corvallis, OR

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** [Jennifer Pitcairn](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** Oppose HB 3063  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 23, 2019 11:36:26 PM

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Dear Joint Ways and Means subcommittee on Human Services,

I oppose HB 3063. This bill takes away my rights as a parent to make the best choices for my children. I am a chiropractor and I have studied health for over 20 years. I have looked at the actual research and have found that vaccines are not safe for all people and are not effective for all. The research shows that people respond in different ways to the vaccines, and some of those are in negative ways.

There are thousands of people including parents, grandparents, doctors, nurses and teachers that oppose this bill. We have no financial gain by speaking up, whereas the pharmaceutical companies have everything to gain if this bill passes. Please do not mandate a medical procedure that the manufacturers have no liability for. Drug manufacturers do not have our best interest in mind. You can look what Vioxx and Opioids have done to the people. The drug companies have been sued for injuries and deaths from these drugs. They are not held accountable for injuries or death from vaccines. Vaccines are just like other pharmaceutical drugs that have risks and side effects. There has been over \$4 billion paid out to vaccine injured children since the 1986 National Childhood Vaccine Injury Act was passed, in which the pharmaceutical companies are not held liable for injuries and death due to vaccines. Big Pharma is who profits from this law passing!!!

The health decisions for children should be made by their parents with advice from their doctors. The state government should not be deciding what medical procedure we should have. This bill violates informed consent and takes away our right to say what procedures are done to our bodies.

I know that many people are concerned about the measles and how the immune compromised population is vulnerable to exposure. Immune compromised children should not go to school if their immune systems are suppressed enough that they are vulnerable to contacting a disease. There are so many illnesses and viruses that they are exposed to that there are no vaccines for. My mother is immune compromised. If any of us are sick we do not go see her.

This bill would affect private schools financially and perhaps shut them down. My daughter goes to a Waldorf school that would most likely have to close if this bill passes. This would make the teachers and administrators become unemployed.

There is not a state of emergency for measles. According to the Centers for Disease Control, [this year's measles outbreak nationwide is less than previous years.](#)

HB 3063 aims to take away my children's right to an education, both at public and private schools. This bill will discriminate against those families that are making a choice to do what they feel is best for their children. This bill would also segregate healthy children from their peers, which could cause negative emotional consequences.

I ask that you please listen to the concern of your constituents and allow us to have the freedom to make our own medical decisions about what is best for the health of our families. Please vote no on HB 3063 and all of the amendments.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Pitcairn, D.C., Gladstone, OR

**From:** [Jennifer Rizzuti](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** Re HB 3063  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 23, 2019 8:31:32 PM

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To committee members:  
Please consider the information in the following articles:

<https://lindseyelmore.com/hear-me-now-one-pharmacists-opinion-on-vaccines/?fbclid=IwAR1uwF3Z2WuAtPHd4-DZyYmXA0iDTh3HZiqBGDaaDVqiTmFihXwZfAdbdmg>

[https://childrenshealthdefense.org/news/vaccines/japan-leads-the-way-no-vaccine-mandates-and-no-mmr-vaccine-healthier-children/?fbclid=IwAR0mk\\_xbDoVBpwiEv5nRSNQDitMy--hCLCd93qm8P7gPtf13QwqcaW9aJUs](https://childrenshealthdefense.org/news/vaccines/japan-leads-the-way-no-vaccine-mandates-and-no-mmr-vaccine-healthier-children/?fbclid=IwAR0mk_xbDoVBpwiEv5nRSNQDitMy--hCLCd93qm8P7gPtf13QwqcaW9aJUs)

This should not be a debate for or against vaccines. This is about taking away parental rights. There are known risks with vaccinations and a parent should continue to have the right to protect their child in any way they feel is best for their child whether that be having them vaccinated or not.

"A central tenet of a free and democratic society is the freedom to make informed decisions about medical interventions that carry serious potential risks. This includes the right to be apprised of benefits *and* risks—[and the ability to say no](#). The [Nuremberg Code](#) of ethics established the necessity of informed consent without “any element of force, fraud, deceit, duress, over-reaching, or other ulterior form of constraint or coercion.” Forcing the MMR vaccine, or any other vaccine, on those who are uninformed or who do not consent represents nothing less than medical tyranny."

**By Kristina Kristen**

Thank you for keeping Oregon a safe place for ALL children.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Rizzuti

**From:** [Jeremy Holbrook](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** HB3063  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 23, 2019 9:06:48 AM

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Please vote no on HB3063 and any amendments.

HB3063 will directly and negatively affect my child's education. We home school through a public charter. My son has severe food allergies, eczema, and asthma. This bill would require my son to receive a medical exemption (in Oregon this is almost impossible to receive) in order to continue with the clubs, classes, and field trips that he is involved in with our charter school. I believe obtaining this exemption for him will be close to impossible.

Vaccines are not safe for every child. Forcing a parent or guardian to choose between a quality educational experience for their child or vaccinating their child knowing that their child may be harmed is unethical.

It is my right to protect my child from harm. This bill is assuming that all vaccines are safe, that there is no risk. I would like to see research that shows that there is no risk. As of now, there is none.

It is my choice to choose what medical interventions that my child receives. It is my right to make an informed consent regarding any medical procedures, including vaccines, that my child receives. I believe that Oregon and the legislators that represent us should demand the truth. We must demand the truth about vaccines as Texas is doing now. Demand the research required to prove that there is no risk of harm or injury from vaccines. Our state and others have been gripped by a panic-driven hysteria leading up to this bill. Nevertheless, our first priority should always be, "Harm none." We demand the facts. We demand informed consent. As parents and guardians, we are the only voice for our children. We demand the right to protect them.

Thank you,  
Jeremy Holbrook

**From:** [Jesse Mcnamara](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** HB3063  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 23, 2019 10:15:56 AM

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To Whom it May Concern;

I am writing to ask that you PLEASE vote no on HB 3063. As a parent of 2 children, I believe that it is so important that parents have the right to choose what is best for our children. For many children, these vaccinations can have harmful effects. For some it's the right choice.

Medical Freedom is also a civil right. We have the right to choose what is best for ourselves and our children. I ask that you do not allow the government to interfere this right.

Thank you,

Jesse McNamara

**From:** [Jessica Workman-Schofield](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** testimony to subcommittee on human services  
**Date:** Monday, April 22, 2019 3:14:30 PM

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Dear committee,

I am an Oregon resident, a small business owner and a mother of three school aged children. We moved to the state of Oregon because we were drawn to its beauty and its people of diverse ideas and true independent spirit! I wish to share my views on the importance of opposing a bill which would have a truly negative impact on the health and well being of our children as well as the economic health of our schools and our economy.

If passed, House Bill 3063 will have sweeping detrimental effects on children, parents, and schools. It is a bill that over extends the reach of government into the lives of so many. Its removal of parents rights in lieu of state mandates for medical procedures sets a dangerous precedent. I implore you to protect the rights of Oregonians.

I am *not* disagreeing with the efficacy of vaccine science, I am concerned about this bill's intent for compulsory medical procedures for children. Oregonians of all cultures, faiths and political philosophies deserve representatives that strive to protect their human rights and their constitutional rights as Americans. The importance of medical freedom for parents and their children must be safeguarded. This bill violates the medical ethics of informed consent and asserts that a governing body, rather than an informed parent or health practitioner, knows what's best for every single human body and should dictate what's put into it. This is clearly an impossibility and I urge you to oppose such mandates.

House Bill 3063 would also pull many students out of both public and private schools lessening the number of HS graduates even further in the state and setting a large population of students up to fail by negatively affecting their mental well being. Denying them the ability to remain in a school setting (public or even private) to be educated. Removal from school increases their risks for mental illness. Without the ability to allow students of varying faiths, cultures, economic status and vaccine compliance to attend their schools, schools would see a steep drop in enrollments and attendance negatively effecting their budgets which is neither good for the health of our youth nor our economy.

Because of HB 3063's blanket vaccine requirements and timeline, children of informed parents who have simply chosen to delay or forego a particular vaccine would be barred from attendance to any physical school at all. The bill also poses health risks to students coerced into 'catching up' or getting all the required vaccines rapidly. With a large number of vaccines and vaccine ingredients rapidly injected into young bodies instead of spaced over a longer timeline, and doctors scrambling to 'comply', the health of young patients may be overlooked in favor of compliance! Decisions such as these should not be made by governments but rather by informed parents, physicians and immunologists. Please don't allow Oregonians to be coerced

into medical procedures by putting the authority to administer drugs such as vaccines into the hands of the government.

Our great state already does an excellent job of ensuring the safety of everyone. The recent cases of measles are NOT a direct result of large numbers of unvaccinated children within the state! Statistically, the incidence of the disease is actually quite low in Oregon and overall in the United states. Oregon's MMR vaccination rates are also over the required level for herd immunity. Even so, there are protocol in place that takes care to ensure vaccines for measles and other communicable diseases could be quickly mobilized should the specific need arise. We do not need new legislation or mandates, which could set a precedent for the removal of any number of other human rights.

I am hopeful that your desire to support the citizens that you represent will urge you to oppose this oppressive over-reach of government.

**“They who can give up essential liberty to obtain a little temporary safety deserve neither liberty nor safety.” Benjamin Franklin**

Thanks for your consideration,  
Jessica Workman-Schofield  
Amity Oregon Resident and McMinnville Oregon Business owner

**From:** [Jesse and Matt Cook](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** Vaccine bill  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 23, 2019 8:00:17 PM

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Hello,

I am writing to voice my concerns about HB 3063. My three school aged children are all up to date on vaccines. I am due to have our 4th child in a month. I do understand that my baby will be at increased risk until she is fully vaccinated with the reduction in herd immunity.

But I am still in favor of a parents right to decide instead of the government mandating vaccines. If you want to make it harder to opt out- fine. But passing a bill requiring vaccinations is NOT the way to go. I believe in full autonomy over our own bodies & that of our children's. I am Catholic and have moral issues with abortion. But I support fully support a woman's autonomy over her own body and the right to choose to have an abortion is part of this. My body, my choice. The freedom & independence of our own bodies is not something to be taken away with new knee jerk laws.

Please vote no on the bill requiring vaccines.

Thank you,

Jesse Cook  
Benton County Resident

**From:** [JOHN MAFRICI](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** I OPPOSE HB 3063!!!!  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 23, 2019 7:59:17 PM

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Vote NO on HB 3063!

There is no justification for attempting to violate my religious rights! My Son is planning on going to OIT soon and I will assist him in finding another non Oregon school to attend.

I support any legal measures in Court to stop this unnecessary government overreach.

John Mafrici

**From:** [John Partmann](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** HB3063  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 23, 2019 9:21:03 PM

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Please be educated regarding side effects even death of immunizations statistically proven.

Where is the freedom of choice given in this country of freedom?

Thank you for your consideration of this BILL. It should not allowed.

Dr. John Partmann, DC

**From:** [Juanita Bryan](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** OPPOSE HB3063 and 97321  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 23, 2019 7:32:48 AM

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I oppose HB3063. Do not pass.

Juanita Bryan  
97321

RE: HB 3063  
from Jude Riley  
P.O. Box 22444  
Portland, OR 97269

*Never in my life have I been ashamed to be a liberal democrat...until now. I cannot fathom how it can be that so many of, what I thought were, the more open minded, progressive, tolerant...are the largest voice ready to not only take away people's right to decide what goes into their body, but even worse culturally centric fascist ideas rife with lack of knowledge. My democrat representatives who have supported this bill ought to be ashamed.. .but more importantly...they need to be true hero's now. They need to show the state of Oregon and the country and the world how to LISTEN to new information, QUESTION previous beliefs and CHANGE one's mind for the greater good.*

*In this day of a so much ignorance of how to care for hurt and sick people at home...when we are rather hypochondriac conditioned and run to doctors for everything...when we have grown up believing, many of us, that there is a pill to fix nearly everything...I can understand how we got here. I have studied history, including the history of disease and human evolution. I also know that historically, the democrat and republican party have switched back and forth as to which is for more Government control of people and their lives, which is more 'for the people', which is more for the rich. I never thought I'd witness a switch; I never ever would have thought I'd vote for a republican white male over a supposedly liberal gay woman democrat. I never thought I would agree with so many republicans about anything. This, healthcare choices, should NOT be a political issue; you as politicians should NOT be making health care decisions for people.*

*Before I get too long winded and write a manuscript. This is what I want to tell you..to ask you ...to BEG and plead with you to consider: western science is FALLIBLE, it is ONE societie's way of organizing and viewing the world, and it actually does NOT support the theory that vaccines cause health. Regardless of that, which I urge you to look into if you find yourself in a position to decide on mandating such things, it is NEVER ok for a dominant system, society, religion, belief to FORCE others of different cultures, religions, beliefs to do as they do. That is fascism and culturally centric and we HAVE LEARNED FROM THAT MISTAKE NUMEROUS TIMES IN HISTORY.*

*I know that my degree in Anthropology gives me a very different perspective on the world; it has taught me to be able to see and appreciate the world from different cultural perspectives. You probably have not had the eye opening experience of studying anthropology as I have. You probably didn't learn in studying disease and human evolution that communicable diseases have life cycles... and thereby naturally decline or die out in populations as people develop natural immunity, which often then protects them and their offspring for life. You probably didn't learn how there are people who believe in Nature and other deities and do not allow any injections at all. There are tribal people, and others, all over the world who have different, and successful, ways of dealing with sickness when it comes.*

*I truly believe we should be mandating cultural anthropology classes for all students instead...so that we don't end up with a bunch of adult politicians making decisions about what to force people to do... who truly do not comprehend the wrongness of forcing what they think is right on others.*

*Let's talk about the 'rightness' of vaccines and western medicine. Our medical system is capitalistic; it is rooted in patriarchy and therefore the propensity to ignore women. Robert F Kennedy Jr. actually pointed this out recently; he said that this ignoring or demonizing or silencing so many moms and women who are the biggest voice in this so called 'anti-vax' movement is one of the most misogynistic things he has ever seen. Our science IS fallible and is the third largest cause of death in the US. I myself have almost died THREE times from medical error. I had permanent damage done because of medical error. Many people have.*

*I first learned of the dangers of vaccines in 1990...well before I had internet or knew who Jenny McCarthy was. I have spent the following 27 years researching and studying in university this issue. Now, I have a 19 year old extremely healthy unvaccinated son, who, despite having an obviously healthier immune system than so many of his peers, is afraid to let people know he is unvaccinated. People, even our leaders, are jumping in or fueling lynch mobs against unvaccinated (despite the facts)... fueling ignorance and even notions about separation and forced identification like the scarlet letter or Jewish stars. Ignorance and faulty belief and fear has spread like a plague. It is shocking how much supposed educated people in 2019 can repeat such horrendous and obvious mistakes. Science doesn't support the vaccine schedule; science DEMANDS things be questioned and tested and, as I said, our science is fallible and centric. Despite what those ignorant to the tenants of science believe, our science actually has a brilliant fail-safe built in to stop us from being too centric or from being so sure we 'know' everything; science can NEVER prove anything, ever! It is shocking how many people don't know this. We can ONLY disprove! We can find evidence supporting a hypothesis, but we can NEVER ever prove anything. Did you know this? If you did not, as most, then I urge you do realize you are NOT in any way qualified to make decisions for the public based on science you do not fully know and medicine that is capitalistic and problematic and honestly relatively NEW. Please do the job you are paid to do and protect the people, despite the fear mongering and propaganda you have heard. This IS a holocaust of children...not only children; I lost my extremely healthy uncle to a common side effect of a vaccine; Guillain Barre syndrome. There was a warning on the vaccine insert informing my uncle of the possible deadly side effect, but he didn't read it and the doctor didn't inform him as per the norm. At least he had a long and healthy life; my friend Julia's daughter, who died after her 18 month vaccines didn't have that luxury.*

*The vaccines do not work as reported, they are not safe as believed and if you allow this fascist culturally centric bill to go through and take away school and activities for over thirty thousand children, you are paving the way for more culturally centric forced fascism. Such as forcing YOU to play the vaccine "Russian roulette" my uncle played and died from. I would be willing to bet that NONE of those reading this are up to date on their recommended vaccines and boosters. Even if you get them, like the nurse mom who turned pro-vaccine choice recently after, despite being up to date on vaccines, extra MMR boosters, and titer tests showing immunity, her whole family got*

*the mumps, you won't be guaranteed that the risk you took will actually protect you from the disease. Forcing healthy adults to take those risks is wrong; forcing children and BABIES to take those risks is the most horrible, ignorant, atrocious thing. Passing this bill signs the death certificate of more babies and children and then even adults...all "acceptable losses" to the vaccine manufacturers.*

*My unvaccinated son got a disease we vaccinate for once. When he was 4 he got whooping cough...from the fully vaccinated kids around us in our little community. Every single one of them went to doctors and was put on antibiotics. I treated my son at home with vitamins and natural medicines. My son got over whooping cough a MONTH before the first of the children around us did. Many of the children continued coughing for many months. Is it for you to say that my son, like those other children, should have taken the risk of the vaccine reaction just to get a vaccine that CLEARLY did not work? Is it for you to mandate how I choose to treat my son? Giving him the vitamins I researched and knew would help along with the garlic and elderberry syrup and the slippery elm to stop the cough resulted in him getting better faster than the kids who were given antibiotics and typical cough syrup. Do you think you should have had the power to force me to treat in "normal" ways rather than do what I knew was better and right?*

*As an undergraduate, I was given a research grant to study the changes in western medicine to incorporate 'complimentary' medicine, ie: alternative medicine, ancient medicine, natural medicine. At that time, 21 years ago, even Harvard school of medicine was incorporating alternative medicine into it's coursework for MD's. I cannot believe that over 20 years ago such multi cultural and open minded work was beginning to effect western medicine...and yet here we are, in 2019..in Oregon no less, fighting to educate our government (Democrats even) on reasons why we should NOT mandate the western "medicine" proposed by the multi trillion dollar vaccine industry.*

*Please do your job and kill this bill.*

**From:** [Kaellagh Bennett](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** Testimony for HB 3063  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 23, 2019 12:20:26 AM

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Dear Senators and Representatives,

I'm writing to voice my opposition to HB-3063.

I understand that the intention of the bill is to preserve the health and safety of our children; however there are inherent risks in the vaccines currently available, and this bill would remove the parents' rights to make decisions based on what they believe is safe and in the best interests of their children.

I am in favor of vaccines for our children that would be truly safe, however the vaccines currently being used have **not** been proven to be safe. Vaccines are the only medical product that are not held to the same safety standards as all other medical devices and products.

There have not been double-blind placebo-controlled studies on vaccines, nor have there been studies on the long-term effects of vaccines given on the current CDC recommended schedule.

My family has an extensive history of autoimmune disease, and the toxins in vaccines are a known trigger for this. Knowing that my children already have genetic predisposition to autoimmune disease, it is not in their best interest to receive all required vaccines. This bill prevents me from following my doctor's advice and making the decision I feel is best for my children's health.

It is known that vaccine injury **does** occur, as evidenced by the fact that the Vaccine Injury Compensation Program has paid roughly \$4 billion in damages, despite how difficult it is to receive that compensation. Additionally, the pharmaceutical companies are not held liable so this is funded with taxpayer dollars. No other industry is exempt from litigation when clients are injured through the use of their product.

With all other medical treatment, patients are given the information to evaluate the risks and benefits for themselves and make their own decisions. By the government requiring children receive all vaccines to be able to attend school, they are denying parents and children a fundamental right.

A one-size-fits-all approach to medicine is not in the best interest of the country. It is not the government's place to make medical decisions for its citizens. These decisions should be between the patients, parents, and doctors.

As a parent, my first priority for my children is their health and physical well-being. My second priority is ensuring they are well-educated and prepared for their future as productive citizens. This bill would force me to make a decision between those priorities

and ultimately would prevent my children from receiving the education they should be entitled to.

Most parents who do not vaccinate their children or who vaccinate on an alternative schedule have done extensive research on this topic and are well-educated. Our viewpoint is supported by the Association of American Physicians and Surgeons. I ask that you please read their [Statement on Federal Vaccine Mandates](#). While HB-3063 is not a federal mandate, I believe the points made in this statement apply equally to state mandates.

Most of the parents opposing HB-3063 would **love** to have access to vaccines that have been proven to be safe for their children. They are not opposed to vaccines. They are opposed to vaccines that have very serious risks. The true solution here is to demand vaccine manufacturers comply with the same required safety studies other drug manufacturers are required to follow and to hold the manufacturers liable for any vaccine injuries.

Please preserve our freedom and rights as parents.

Best regards,

Kaellagh Bennett

April 23, 2019

Senator Lee Beyer and Representative Rob Nosse, Co-Chairs, Joint Committee on Ways and Means Subcommittee on Human Services  
900 Court St. NE  
Salem OR 97301

RE: Support for HB 3063

Dear Co-Chairs Beyer and Nosse and members of the Subcommittee on Human Services,

Co-Chairs and members of the committee, I am Colin Cave, a Permanente physician speaking on behalf of Kaiser Permanente, and I am here to speak strongly in favor of House Bill 3063.

Kaiser Permanente exists to provide high-quality, affordable health care services and to improve the health of our members and the communities we serve. We believe that removing the non-medical vaccine exemption from Oregon law is a critical step to protect the health and safety of our children and the most vulnerable Oregonians.

First, I would like to acknowledge that there are grey areas in medicine - such as whether to take statins to help prevent heart attacks.

But there is no legitimate argument that childhood immunizations are anything other than necessary, safe and effective.

95% of the community must be immunized to protect others who cannot be vaccinated because of weakened immune systems, health conditions, or age. Oregon is below this number, and our most vulnerable are at risk.

As such, we have recently seen Measles making a comeback. And make no mistake – Measles can have devastating health effects. While most cases are self-limited, other cases can result in vision loss, hearing loss, pneumonia, brain damage and death.

Measles is one of the most highly contagious viruses on the planet. Once in the air, it can infect others for up to two hours.

I am not here to persuade the people on the other side of this debate. There is no need. The Institute of Medicine and the CDC have conclusively shown that there is no link between autism and vaccines, and the author of that original 1998 paper has lost his medical license and the journal has retracted the debunked report.

I am here instead to request that you, as those entrusted with the health and well-being of Oregonians, make the right decision on this issue and protect Oregonians from needless and preventable disease. After California passed SB 277 to eliminate the non-medical exemption, vaccination rates increased from 92.8% to 95.1% in just two school years. We can make a difference. Please vote yes on HB 3063. Thank you for your time and attention.

Sincerely,



Dr. Colin Cave  
Northwest Permanente Medical Director for External Affairs, Government Relations and  
Community Health.

**From:** [Jennifer Snoozy](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** No Vaccine Mandate  
**Date:** Monday, April 22, 2019 10:52:09 PM

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To Whom It May Concern:

I am a mother of 3 young children who attend public school. I am concerned that the state of Oregon will pass a bill discriminating against my children's education rights because our family chooses to skip certain vaccines that are made with aborted fetal stem cells. We currently have a religious exemption for these vaccines. We also do not take the annual flu vaccine as it's efficacy is limited. We plan also to skip the HPV vaccine as this vaccine has a very high rate of adverse side effects and has not been tested properly. We are not anti-vaccine, but pro-safe and pro-ethical vaccine. The government has no business mandating medications that carry risk.

Sincerely,  
Jennifer Snoozy  
14239 Hwy 66  
Klamath Falls Oregon 97601

Sent from my iPhone

4/24/19 – HB3063

Hello,

My Name is Jenny Downen, I have thirteen year old daughter who has expressed to me she is not willing to take a chance on 22 doses of chemicals being injected into her body. She is willing to give up her public education, her friends and her sports so she can retain her personal choice. We dont know how she would react to vaccines and the medical exemptions does NOT encompass autoimmune disorders, it is a "give it a try" and we will see if the reaction falls into these very small categories. Please rethink this bill all or nothing at the expense of education is NOT how I thought the Democrats operated. Please, I urge you to vote no on HB3063.

Thank you!

# Applying for a Medical Exemption in Oregon

Parents may only submit an application for a medical exemption if the child has a valid contraindication to a vaccine and if the letter is signed by a licensed physician. Medical exemptions then must be approved by the health department, the decision is **NOT** up to the child’s doctor.

OHA Required Childhood Vaccine*	Valid Contraindications to Apply for OHA Medical Exemption
Diphtheria, Tetanus, Pertussis (DTaP)	1) Severe allergic reaction (e.g. anaphylaxis) after a previous dose, or to a vaccine component 2) Encephalopathy (e.g. coma, decreased level of consciousness, prolonged seizures) not attributable to another identifiable cause, within 7 days of administration of previous dose of DTP or DTaP
Polio (IPV) Hepatitis A (Hep A) Hepatitis B (Hep B)	1) Severe allergic reaction (e.g. anaphylaxis) after a previous dose, or to a vaccine component 2) Hypersensitivity to yeast *Hep B vaccine only
Chickenpox (Varicella) Measles, Mumps, Rubella (MMR)	1) Severe allergic reaction (e.g. anaphylaxis) after a previous dose or to a vaccine component 2) Known severe immunodeficiency (e.g. from hematologic and solid tumors, receipt of chemotherapy, congenital immunodeficiency, long-term immunosuppressive therapy, or patients with HIV infection who are severely immunocompromised) 3) Pregnancy 4) Family history of altered immunocompetence
Tdap	1) Severe allergic reaction (e.g. anaphylaxis) after a previous dose, or to a vaccine component 2) Encephalopathy (e.g. coma, decreased level of consciousness, prolonged seizures) not attributable to another identifiable cause, within 7 days of administration of previous dose of DTP, DTaP, or Tdap

*\*Required vaccines for child care or school attendance, unless child has a medical or non-medical exemption on file*

✗ Applications for medical exemptions based on genetics or a first-degree relative's severe adverse reaction to a vaccine are **NOT** valid contraindications, and would therefore be denied by OHA - **even if the child’s doctor cautions the parents to delay or discontinue future vaccinations for the safety of the child.** In these cases, the doctor will often recommend that the parents utilize a non-medical exemption.

✗ Medical exemptions are often only allowed for one or two specific vaccines. In that case, the child would be required to provide documentation of having received the remaining vaccines, or have a documented nonmedical exemption for the remaining vaccines.

SOURCES:

**Vaccine Recommendations and Guidelines by the ACIP: Contraindications and Precautions:**

<https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/hcp/acip-recs/general-recs/contraindications.html>

**OHA exemption application information:**

<https://www.oregon.gov/oha/PH/PREVENTIONWELLNESS/VACCINESIMMUNIZATION/GETTINGIMMUNIZED/Pages/SchExemption.aspx>

**OHA Required Shots for School and Children's Facilities:**

<https://www.oregon.gov/oha/PH/PREVENTIONWELLNESS/VACCINESIMMUNIZATION/GETTINGIMMUNIZED/Pages/SchRequiredImm.aspx>

February 26, 2019

TO Oregon State Legislature, Senate Committee on Health Care

Re: Support for HB 3063

Honorable Chair and Committee Members,

My name is Jenny Malcom, MD, and I'm a pediatrician from Metropolitan Pediatrics in Gresham, OR, writing to urge your support of HB 3063, which seeks to remove the non-medical vaccine exemption from Oregon law.

Right now, Oregon and Southwest Washington are seeing first-hand the effects of the current measles outbreak on individuals, families, our caregivers and our community. Our office is being inundated daily with panicked phone calls and visits from families who are scared that their infant or immunocompromised child (neither of whom can be immunized for measles) is at risk for contracting this completely preventable disease. These same families are keeping their infants and children at home to prevent exposure – they are going crazy with the possibility that their vulnerable child might die or suffer severe complications as a result of infection.

Interestingly, we also have many unvaccinated families who are coming to the clinic in droves requesting that their children receive the measles (MMR) vaccine due to the current measles outbreak; the puzzling and disheartening thing is that most do not want any other vaccines – they are scared about the current measles outbreak, but yet still decline all other inoculations that could mean life or death for their children, as well as many others.

As I mentioned above, this outbreak was preventable. Those who opt out of vaccinating their children place other vulnerable members of the population at greater risk for exposure. This isn't about removing choice; this is about protecting those who have NO choice. The 3 week old infant with whooping cough that I cared for during my residency at OHSU died a miserable death after many invasive interventions performed to save her life; neither she nor her family had a choice as she was too young to be vaccinated for whooping cough. She relied on those around her to be vaccinated so that she could be protected, and we failed her.

Families who choose not to vaccinate their children can still choose not to do so – they should just not have the privilege of using a public entity such as school, thereby putting many other children at risk for disease and death. Vaccine exemption rates are skyrocketing in Oregon despite doctors' strong and persistent recommendations to vaccinate, as well as strong evidence with regard to vaccine efficacy and safety. Right now, 7.5% of children in Oregon are

unvaccinated, putting us below the community immunity threshold and endangering vulnerable populations.

Vaccines save lives. There are few other interventions in modern medicine that have had such a significant impact on decreasing child mortality and morbidity. There have been numerous large well designed studies showing the effectiveness and safety of vaccines. Contrary to popular belief, vaccines don't cause autism, and repeated studies have shown this time after time.

We are facing a public health emergency today. Oregon is seeing the impact of high vaccine exemption rates in the Portland area as over 61 individuals have contracted measles, an extremely contagious disease with potentially devastating effects.

I implore the committee to protect children's lives by supporting HB 3063.

Thank you,

Jenny Malcom, MD

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**From:** [Jessica McNaughton](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#); [Rep. Nosse](#); [Sen. Heard](#); [Sen. Wagner](#); [Rep. Hayden](#); [Rep. Salinas](#); [Rep. Schouten](#); [Rep. Stark](#)  
**Subject:** OPPOSE HB 3063  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 23, 2019 8:49:51 AM

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I'm writing to oppose HB 3063 and protect a parent's right to obtain an exemption for the vaccines they feel are not in the best interest of their children.

Only 2.6% of K-12 children are 100% unvaccinated. 66% of children who have currently have an exemption ARE partially vaccinated. Further, Oregon has extremely high rates of MMR vaccination across all counties.

If this bill is passed, it will impact over 31,000 students who could lose their right to an education and therefore be removed from Oregon schools and that is not including younger children who are not yet of school age. My child is almost 3 and if this bill is passed, he will NOT be attending school in Oregon.

Further this could have a financial impact on small childcare businesses. If parents are not allowed childcare, those businesses will lose money. And, those parents who cannot find childcare may need to work less, further impacting the Oregon economy.

I understand there is concern for the medically fragile and immune compromised, however please consider that not all vaccines prevent the spread of illness, but rather only provide a certain amount of protection to the vaccinated person. PLEASE read this letter written by a Harvard Immunologist (video include) explaining why many vaccines are not actually preventing transmissions of the targeted diseases.

<https://newspunch.com/immunologist-unvaccinated-children-risk/>

Additionally, I believe medical freedom should be a constitutional right. Just as we have a right to choose our own religion and speak freely without being excluded from societal norms and services such as education, we should not be excluded from society based on our choices about what goes into our or our children's bodies. It seems incomprehensible to me that we could consider our country and our state of Oregon a land of the free and then forcibly inject government mandated medical procedures or face consequences of lost services (paid for by our taxes!) and exclusion from societal norms. Freedom must include the free choice to determine what goes into our bodies.

We are not facing a critical situation and hot spots for outbreak. Even given the significant number of recent measles exposure in the Vancouver/Portland area, few Oregonians have contracted measles and there have been no community acquired cases, demonstrating that we are not in a high risk situation.

I strongly believe that any parents who choose to delay or skip any particular vaccine have not made that decision lightly. Most parents who have obtained an exemption for a vaccine have done so with extensive research and education, alongside a significant reason specific to their child's health and wellbeing. Parents know their children best! Parents are caring for their children night and day. They know the distinction between every cry from their child, able to tell if it means they are hungry, tired or sick. They are aware more than anyone of the patterns for their child's health and behavior, what makes them sick, which foods or medicines may cause upset stomach, allergies, etc. While medical professionals are an incredibly valuable resources, they cannot ever know the specific needs of an individual child better than the parent who cares for them 24/7.

For parents who have witnessed a child's reaction to a vaccine, even if mild initially, and feel strongly through educating themselves that additional vaccines of that kind could put their child at risk for more serious injury, the thought of being forced to inject their child with something that could cause life altering damage is terrifying! If my education, research and intuition tells me that something is slowly harming my child, I am not going to continue with it until their breaking point of irreversible damage. If this bill is passed, I fear that medical exemptions will only be obtained once a child has had such a significant injury from a vaccine that irreversible harm has been done rather than receiving a medical exemption preventatively at the first sign of sensitivity, allergy or genetic/hereditary pre-disposition to a reaction.

I urge you to please oppose HB 3063 and maintain Oregon parent's right to make an informed choice on what goes into their children's bodies! .

Thank you,  
Jessica McNaughton  
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**From:** [Jessica Schofield](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** This proposed ammendment makes this bill even more oppressive!  
**Date:** Monday, April 22, 2019 10:35:31 PM

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Dear Committee Members,

I am an Oregon Resident and a business owner as well as a parent. I am appalled and saddened by House Bill 3063. The proposed amendments to HB3063 make this bill even more dangerous and more destructive to Oregonians economically and educationally! Please. I implore you as representatives to fervently resist this bill and any bill which seeks to remove the human rights and constitutional rights of your citizens for the apparent "safety" of the greater good. History should have taught us that government mandates of vaccination and other medical intervention without informed consent is a truly slippery slope. The passing of HB3063 and this amendment would be a despicable use of government power and would set a course for discrimination and tracking of individuals that refuse to conform. This is a blatant violation of the human right to privacy. This is a violation of freedom of religion or belief. This is a violation of a child's right to education and the right to choose the kind of education a parent chooses.

This bill and its proposed amendment will hurt those individuals it seeks to protect. It will cause thousands of students to be labeled and barred from schools, cost countless taxpayer dollars to track and revue medical exemptions and cause many schools to close and school programs to be cancelled due to lack of funding from diminished enrollment.

I have no issue with the efficacy of vaccines or vaccines science. I believe vaccines can be valuable and do have a place in modern medicine when accompanied by informed medical consent. But... I have a real and justified issue with this gross over reach of government and its violation of rights! I did not move to Oregon, a state whose citizens pride themselves as being free, independent thinkers, to be subjected to a police state that coerces its citizens into any medical procedures such as vaccines and seeks to override and curtail the good judgement of parents and ties the hands of physicians.

I am truly saddened the use of fear and over blown half truths of the news media in an effort to coerce intelligent elected officials into even thinking this kind of overreach of government is a workable idea. Please stop this oppressive and insidious use of power.

Thanks you for your consideration.  
Jessica Schofield  
Amity Oregon

**From:** [Jessica](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** No on hb3063  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 23, 2019 10:03:23 AM

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No on HB3063!

Where there is a risk there should be a choice!

This bill places every healthy Oregon child at risk of serious life long negative health consequences due to vaccine injury. We need health reform and education on holistic medicine that heals instead of kills the immune system.

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** [jbronec@canby.com](mailto:jbronec@canby.com)  
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**Date:** Monday, April 22, 2019 8:59:14 PM

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## Committee Members

I encourage you all to vote no on HB 3063. It is a sacred and personal right to ones medical choices that will be affected by this bill. The issue is not whether community vaccinations work or not, it is what rights we want Parents to have to choose what they feel is best for their children. Please consider this and vote NO to advance HB 3063.

Thank You

Jim Bronec  
Clackamas County

**From:** [Rep Salinas](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** FW: HB3063  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 23, 2019 4:57:44 PM

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Hello,

We received another piece of testimony and wanted to pass it along. Thanks again!

Best,

Jacob Bell  
Legislative Assistant to Representative Andrea Salinas

**From:** Joanne Smith <jojasmith1965@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 23, 2019 11:13 AM  
**To:** Rep Salinas <Rep.AndreaSalinas@oregonlegislature.gov>  
**Subject:** HB3063

### Testimony to Oppose Bill HB 3063

My name is Joanne Smith and I truly cannot believe that our rights as Parents, Oregonians, and U.S. Citizens are slowly being taken away. Vaccination comes with many risks and can be accompanied with horrible side effects including death. I oppose Bill HB 3063 and pray to God, that you will oppose it too. It is unconstitutional to take away our parental rights. If our parental rights get taken away, I have to ask the question, “what will be taken away next?” Vaccines may have their place in this world, but it is and should be MY CHOICE whether or not I want to take on the risks and consequences that come with vaccines.

No long-term study has EVER been done on the effects of vaccines. Zero studies have been done in the last thirty years since the vaccine schedule has tripled! There has NEVER been a study comparing the vaccinated and the unvaccinated. The CDC’s “study” comparing a vaccinated and unvaccinated population used the adjuvant aluminum (a known heavy metal and neurotoxin) in their “placebo” population. If the placebo isn’t some sort of saline solution that won’t cause any reaction, then that does not qualify as a placebo. How can the CDC get away with letting vaccines be on the market, yet critical studies regarding vaccine safety are non-existent, why?

In 1986, Ronald Reagan passed the National Childhood Vaccine Act. This law gives anyone who makes or sells vaccines; regulates vaccines; makes policy for vaccines; votes to mandate vaccines, or administers vaccines blanket immunity from being held liable for any and all bad outcomes that are a result of vaccines. This was signed into a law because vaccine manufacturers no longer found it profitable to make vaccines if they had to be responsible for all deaths and injuries. Sadly, Ronald Reagan granted them immunity. Not only should this law be repealed, but how in the world can vaccines and their manufacturers be trusted if they have no incentive to make them safe because they will NEVER be held responsible if their poorly made vaccines injure or kills innocent human beings? This includes the makers and the voters of Bill HB 3063. If this bill is passed, vaccines will continue to damage and kill more innocent people, you will be taking away our freedoms. \$4,000,103,277.34 is the amount of taxpayer dollars the U.S. government vaccine court has paid in compensation for vaccine injury and death as of November 1, 2018. This number

would be exponentially higher, however, only an estimate of 10% of vaccine injuries are actually reported to the Vaccine Adverse Event Reporting System. So, when children and adults alike are injured or killed because of vaccines, the people responsible for making and administering the vaccines don't pay for it, We The People pay for it and will continue to do so unless huge changes are made.

The CDC and other public health officials tell the public that, "vaccinations are safe and effective." However, when vaccinations were held to legal standards in US courts, they were deemed unsafe. In March of 2011, The Supreme Court said, "Vaccines are unavoidable unsafe." If our Supreme Court is ruling vaccines as unsafe, how can Oregon feel justified in taking away our freedom to choose whether or not to be vaccinated?

Children in the 70's and 80's did not get the number of vaccines that children are being forced to get today. There are too many vaccines over too short a period of time. And to add more reiterate they aren't accompanied by safety studies to show whether or not they are safe or effective! It's wild to think that the people pushing mandatory vaccines aren't even up to date with the current vaccine schedule.

The list of questions you must ask yourself before passing medical tyranny laws such as HB 3063 goes on and on. How is an unvaccinated person spreading diseases that they themselves have never contracted? Answer: They cannot possibly spread a disease they have never contracted. If vaccines actually work, why are the unvaccinated a threat? Answer: They aren't a threat and should not be blamed for something they cannot be proved guilty for. If an adverse reaction of a vaccine is to cause the said disease it is meant to prevent, why isn't that vaccine blamed for the spread of disease. Answer: Doctors and parents need to be more informed about the side effects and adverse reactions listed on a vaccine's package insert, because like the questions asks, vaccines can and do cause the disease that they are "meant" to prevent. If an adverse reaction of a vaccine is death, why isn't it a personal choice to decide if that vaccine is right for each individual? Answer: With our fundamental right of informed consent; we deserve the right to understand the pros and cons of any medical treatment and decide for ourselves and our families, whether or not each medical treatment is right for us.

Currently vaccines are "one size fits all" and do not take into account biological diversity, prior adverse reactions, family history, or a patient's current state of health. How can a tiny baby be given the exact same vaccine that an older child or an adult would be given and not be questioned? Because of this and many other reasons, some of which I've already listed, it is so critical that we have the right to delay or decline vaccines.

If I were to spoon feed my child any or all of the cancer causing, brain damaging, neurotoxic ingredients found in vaccines, I would most defiantly go to prison for poisoning my child. Some of the horrific ingredients in vaccines which I'm talking about are: thimerosal, aborted fetal cell lines, polysorbate 80, formaldehyde, aluminum and the list goes on and on. Yet, doctors are allowed to inject these toxic ingredients right into my child's blood stream and I'm not allowed to question it? Vaccine ingredients are permeable to the blood brain barrier and therefore, are going right into our children's brains and organs and wreaking havoc, not to mention causing death. If there is a risk, which I feel like I have clearly stated that there are many, then there MUST be a choice!

It is extremely hard to get medical exemptions from vaccines even with the knowledge that your child could be more susceptible to an adverse reaction do to family health history or known gene mutations. Our pediatrician has agreed that vaccines aren't worth the risk for my son given the medical history in our family. Yet he is not comfortable writing a medical exemption from all vaccines out of fear that he will be targeted and face repercussions for doing so. It's only after there has been an adverse reaction to a vaccine that most doctors will grant medical exemptions. However, at that point the damage has already been done. My son is two, completely unvaccinated, and he is absolutely thriving. We should not be penalized for doing what's best for our children because the government deems medically necessary.

Currently, the only thing saving my son from a vaccine injury is the philosophical and religious exemptions. So again, I ask you; please do not take away our basic right to medical freedom.

Even if we do agree to most vaccines on the schedule today, this bill will force us and our children to obtain ALL vaccines. The flu shot, for example, is a vaccine that many people avoid. Year after year the CDC reports on its extremely low effectiveness. Year after year people die after receiving their flu shot. Year after year people of all ages are extremely injured by the flu shot. Yet, if this bill is passed, we will be forced to inject our children with toxic ingredients. It's scary to think what will happen to us and our children if we do not obtain all of the vaccines on the schedule. What will the consequences be? We must ask ourselves, what will come next? Any and all unthinkable things can be added to the vaccine schedule but our freedom of choice will already have been taken away, if this bill is passed, so we will be forced to blindly accept being injected with ingredients that are known neurotoxins and known cancer causers. If we don't abide by the vaccine schedule, will our children be taken away from us? Will parents and caregivers go to prison? Will adult vaccines be added to the schedule? What rights will adults lose when they don't follow the, potentially soon to come, forced adult vaccine schedule? When will the madness stop?

There are too many unanswered questions that accompany vaccines which is why we should be given the choice of whether or not to vaccinate. Please oppose HB 3062! Please let us keep our rights as parents and as U.S. citizens. There is too much at stake for this bill to be passed and for our rights to be taken away. Please make the right choice and let us have our own constitutional given right to make our own medical choices!

I do not take my decision to not vaccinate my family lightly. I have diligently done my research and cannot bring myself to take the risk of injecting toxic ingredients into my child just to hope and pray that he will not be harmed, or even worse, killed. My reasons are genuine and my right to choose should not be taken away from me. **Please vote No on HB 3063.**

**From:** [Joe Perrone](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** Message for the Vaccine committee  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 23, 2019 8:56:48 PM

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I do not want my freedom to decide what goes into my child's body / or my own taken away from me .  
This is a Slippery slope , do not cross this line of making vaccines mandatory is a gateway to us losing The spirit of America .

Sent from my iPhone

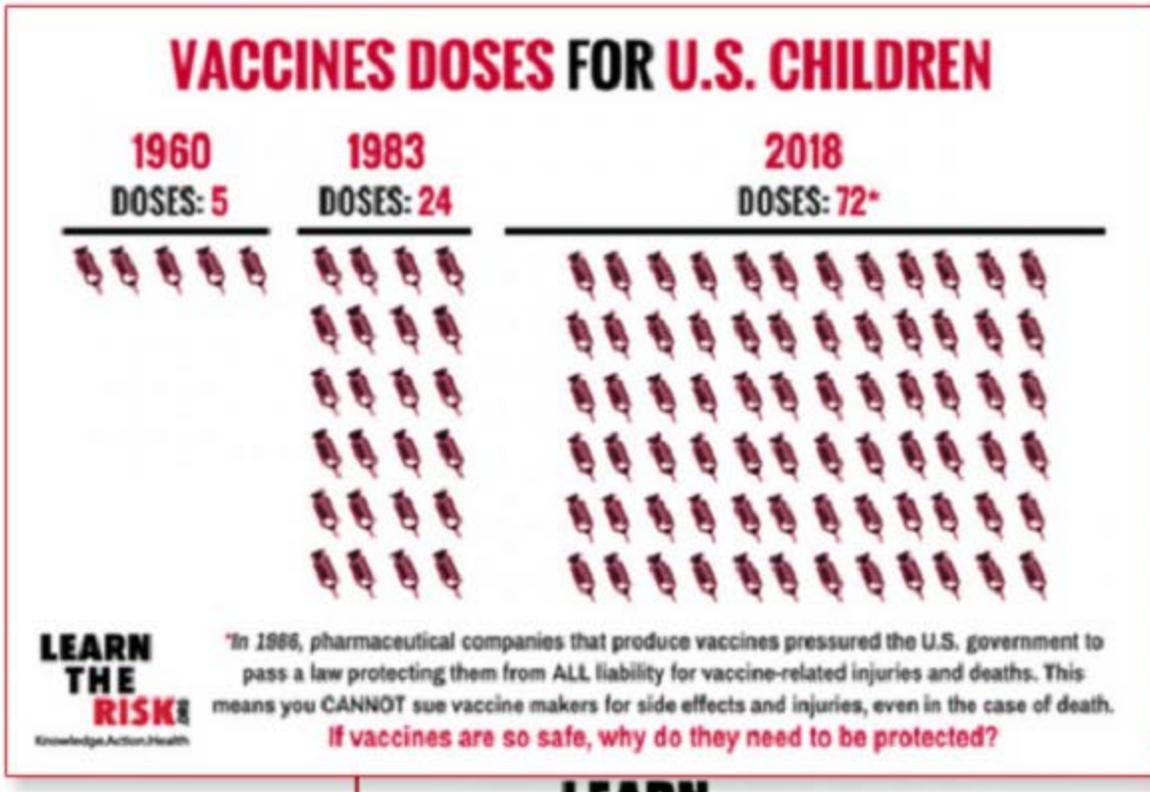
From: [Jordan Ohrt](#)  
To: [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
Subject: Testimony HB 30363 Chart Ohrt #2  
Date: Wednesday, April 24, 2019 7:30:33 AM  
Attachments: [Testimony HB 30363 Chart Ohrt.png](#)

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Hello,

Please see the attached graphic for testimony on the public hearing today.

Thank you,



Jordan Ohrt  
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**From:** [Jocela Mae](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** School funding  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 23, 2019 6:54:26 AM

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If parents are unwilling to do your un-necessarily rigid vaccine schedule and kids can't attend school, won't that take funding from schools? Where will that lead us?

Guidelines are helpful.

Mandates can hurt.

I should be able to choose when I feel my family is ready for a vaccine. Not you.

Keep your hands off my body and off my children's body

Jocela mae Crawford  
Mcminnville oregon

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"A little yoga goes a long way" - Mary Richards

**From:** [Joseph and Melissa Cochran](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** Testimony  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 23, 2019 8:28:39 PM

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Hello,

I am writing in testimony in opposition of HB 3063.

I fear this bill will have far more financial impact then originally thought. If 35,000+ kids are kicked out of school, how will that impact their mental health as they are ripped away from their friends? Will already high suicide rates in Oregon youth increase? Oregon is not prepared for that.

Will graduation rates decrease? How will dual income families or single parents educate their children if they cannot utilize schools or daycares? Will more people have to resort to government funded programs to make ends meet? What about children with learning disabilities, how will they get the care they need if they are kicked out of schools?

This bill is not going to solve any problems, and if anything, it will CREATE dozens more.

I urge you to vote NO on HB 3063, as there are too many uncertainties.

Thank you,  
Melissa Cochran  
McMinnville, OR

**From:** [jenny van winkle](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** Oppose HB 3063  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 23, 2019 10:31:36 PM

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My name is Jenny Van Winkle. I am an Oregon resident. I strongly oppose HB 3063 and ask you to do the same.

HB 3063 is an extreme threat to medical choice and personal and religious freedoms. It will isolate numerous children whose parents have made well considered choices for them, as is both their right and responsibility as caregivers. No government should have the right to force medical treatment on it's citizens against their will and that is exactly what this bill is designed to do. It is equivalent to the government deciding to withhold medical treatment from a citizen - the government making choices for individuals.

I *personally* have friends whose children or they themselves have had adverse vaccine reactions, ranging from immediately getting the illness they were vaccinated for (measles & flu) to generalized sickness and on the extreme end, severe incapacitation and need for lifelong care. These reactions are serious and not something the government should be allowed to make a choice about for our children. Who are you to force children to receive potentially toxic vaccines against their parents' will?

If you are wondering if people really do get adverse vaccine reactions, please visit the website of the National Vaccine Injury Compensation Program: <https://www.hrsa.gov/vaccine-compensation/index.html> When you look at the tables there, please note that there are very specific rules limiting who can apply for compensation, which greatly limits the actual awards. However, even given this caveat, the numbers are alarming. And yes, *Death* is one of the adverse reactions for which they compensate.

Please Oppose HB 3063.

Thank You. Jenny Van Winkle

**From:** [Jenny Wells](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** Opposition to HB 3063  
**Date:** Wednesday, April 24, 2019 7:38:39 PM

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To The Joint Ways and Means sub ommittee on Health Services,

I am writing to express my extreme opposition to house bill 3063. I am a parent that has vaccinated both of my children with all recommended vaccines, however I want that to always be my right and not the right of the government.

Please do not take away my rights as a parent.

Sincerely,  
Jennifer Wells  
Gladstone, OR

**From:** [Jeremiah Smith](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** Please Oppose HB3063  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 23, 2019 9:58:11 PM

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Good Evening,

My name is Jeremiah Smith. I'm a Senior Software Engineer and an Oregon resident. I'm writing this to you to ask you to oppose HB3063.

HB3063 will segregate those who are conscientious objectors to certain vaccines on moral grounds. We should never force anyone to inject something into their bodies against their will just so they can participate in normal everyday activities. Please vote no HB3063.

Thank you,  
Jeremiah Smith

**From:** [Jessica Neal](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** Pro Choice on vaccines  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 23, 2019 5:38:00 PM

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Hi my name is Jessica, I'm a mom of two little girls.

I believe every parent should have the right to vaccinate or to choose not to vaccinate their child/children.

Thanks,

Jessica Neal

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** [Jessica Shinneman](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** No on hb3063  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 23, 2019 7:53:36 PM

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I am a labor and delivery nurse who has practiced in Oregon for 9 years. I stand for medical freedom and informed consent!!! Please protect our rights as parents and vote no on hb3063.

This isn't a vaccine issue, it's a medical rights issue. Parents have the right to choose what's best for their family. The flu shot is about 20% effective in a good year, there was a pertussis outbreak in California where everyone was vaccinated, right now there is a boat with 25 100% up to date sailors who have the mumps. Vaccines aren't 100% effective or safe. The vaers says that of the 30,000 reports they receive every year, about 10-15 % are serious and life changing. Harvard did a study and said only 1% of reactions are reported. So that means the 4500 damaged kids could actually be 450,000.

What about the UK, they don't even give the chicken pox vaccine because they say it causes an increase in shingles.

Putting a bill out like this does not protect my son who has the mthfr mutation. This mutation means he can't detox the chemicals in vaccines like normal kids. He is on a delayed schedule. If this passes he won't be about to go to kindergarten next year. I refuse to give him the hepatitis b vaccine until he's older, he's not a drug user or sexually active, so his risk is very very low. I can not get a medical exemption for him (according to this law), because he hasn't had a reaction BECAUSE we delay.

Please stand up for our rights to delay, decline or select certain vaccines for our families. Please stand for our right for our children to get a public education.

Thank you for your time Jessica shinneman

**From:** [Jessica Shride](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** HB 3063  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 23, 2019 9:30:24 PM

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Dear Representatives of Oregon

My name is Jessica Shride and I am a resident of Josephine County, Oregon. I am writing you in regards to HB 3063. I urge you to vote NO on this bill. Our Constitution guarantees our right to not

have the state abridge the privileges or immunities the citizens of the United States; nor shall any state deprive ANY person of life , liberty or property. This bill, HB3063 , is in direct conflict with the

Constitutional rights enjoyed and expected by citizens of our great state.

This is not an argument for anti-vaccine or vaccine. I am neither. I am about pro-choice, and informed consent. This is about the government forcing its citizens to inject something into our bodies

and those of our children. I believe that to be erroneous and extremely unconstitutional .

This is outrageous to segregate children, and not provide public education, and now go after homeschoolers

as well. This is not about health, this is about Big pharmaceutical companies, and control of the people. If you want this on your mind and heart, and take on that type of responsibility and believe

this is the way of a new life, I highly encourage you to take your glasses off, and actually listen to the people. This bill is threatening the very fabric of our culture and against the independent nature

that Oregon has cultivated over the last 170 years. I as a citizen, and a parent have the freedom to chose what I put into our bodies. And believe others have the right as well. This is not the way to

make Oregon better. Oregon has always been able to allow the people have the freedom they are constitutionally meant to have.

I am a mother and a tax payer and in this case importantly a voter. I do not write about state issues often and it is due to the magnitude of consequences that I am driven to speak out.

Thank you for your time reading this . I hope that you realize just how important this is and how far the implications will go if this bill is voted into law. I will definitely be following this and my vote

will be determined on how you vote for this bill. Again I URGE YOU TO VOTE NO ON BILL HB 3063.

regards ,  
Jessica Shride

**From:** [Joeth Ryan](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** In support of HB 3063  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 23, 2019 12:03:03 PM

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I am a physician assistant working in primary care pediatrics in Oregon. I am in support of HB 3063.

Thank you-  
Joeth Ryan , MS, PA-C

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**From:** [John Craven](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** HB3063  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 23, 2019 9:19:23 PM

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I oppose HB3063 please vote against this measure.

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**From:** [John Kalb](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** Vote NO on HB 3063!  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 23, 2019 8:12:00 PM

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Vote NO on HB 3063!  
I support parental rights.

John M Kalb MS DC

**From:** [Josey McKee](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** testimony  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 23, 2019 8:32:24 PM

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Committee Members,

Please do not pass this any further. How will Oregon pay for 31,500 children to enroll in online schools when they struggle to acquire adequate funding for the current online schools and public brick& mortar schools they currently have as it is? There is a cap in online school enrollment, once that cap is met what will happen to the other students who aren't enrolled? How is the State of Oregon going to provide special education services for children at home, since they will be kicked out of public schools when they cannot afford enough aides and special education teachers or workers for current schools right now?

**From:** [Josh Kuhn](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** HB3063  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 23, 2019 5:27:46 PM

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Dear committee members,

As a parent of 2 children in middle school, a doctorate level educated, self employed, Oregon business, land and property owner and Oregon tax paying citizen I am opposed to this bill. I am writing today to encourage you to stop HB 3063

Due to our long family history of cancer, chronic health issue, food allergies and genetic snps we chose, after long discussions with our pediatrician to use a delayed vaccination schedule for our children. Our youngest daughter is IgE allergic to beef meaning an acute onset potential for anaphylaxis reaction. For this reason we would not ever want her to receive a vaccine that was created with bovine tissues such as the MMR. When we have discussed this with her pediatrician she agreed that the risk was too high but she would likely not be granted a medical exemption.

Please tell me you have considered these children in your discussions and decision making. Please tell me you have thoroughly read this bill, educated yourselves and you see how restrictive and unrealistic it is for ALL of our children. We believe that vaccines are not a "one size fits all" type of treatment.

HB3063 will lead to many people leaving the workforce, no longer paying taxes and may even place a higher demand for the need for social services such as healthcare and food stamps. These children leaving Oregon schools will also place a financial burden on the funding for Oregon schools.

I encourage you to please get educated, do your research, learn that these children being forced to lose their education do not deserve this. My daughter has spent nights crying and has experienced anxiety and stress knowing that if HB3063 passes she will have to leave her beloved school, teachers and peers. No 11 year old should be threatened with losing their education or their mentors or their peer support system.

As human beings we are all different, a one size fits all medical approach should never be the answer. Our children's education should not be revoked due to a poorly written bill. Our children will suffer but please realize our state will suffer even more.

Where there is risk there must be choice, where there is profit there must be a choice.

I hope this can help you make the best decision,

Joshua Kuhn, DC

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**From:** [Joshua Phillips](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** Testimony-- respectfully, please vote NO on HB 3063  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 23, 2019 8:42:16 PM

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As a resident of Oregon, and a parent of 2 teenagers, I respectfully ask you to consider the following arguments against HB 3063, regarding mandatory vaccinations.

I am a proponent of healthy communities and smart public health policies, and am grateful that we have a very high vaccination rate in Oregon schools-- only 2.6% un-vaccinated in K-12-- well above the national average, and well above what is considered the threshold for "herd-immunity". This indicates to me that the existing legislation and rules around vaccines and exemptions *are working very well*. It is inaccurate to declare a "state of emergency" as this bill has done, and there is no reason to modify the existing laws. We are seeing NO outbreaks of infectious disease within schools or daycare systems. This bill seems to be looking for a problem that does not exist.

HB 3063 endorses a legislative over-reach that violates a fundamental principle of the doctor-patient relationship. The concept of *informed consent* essentially disappears if this bill passes. For any drug prescription or recommended medical procedure, individuals *have always been guaranteed the right to decline any treatment* based on their own concerns of safety, efficacy or otherwise (without coercion, consequence or threat-- like that of access to education). Like any drug or surgery, vaccine administration (a medical procedure) carries with it risks. Where there exists risk, *there must be choice* and the opportunity to decline treatment. How can physicians and state legislators, in good-conscience, take away families' opportunity to decline certain treatments, or threaten their ability to make decisions they believe best for their children and families?

Finally, if this bill passes, not only have we initiated a very real campaign of segregation and discrimination, we have put our kids' health and well-being into the hands of the pharmaceutical industry. How many more vaccines are coming down the pipeline? Has this industry given us any reason to believe they have our best interests in mind?

Again, there is *no evidence whatsoever* that the low number of un-vaccinated school children in Oregon have presented any public health or infectious disease risk. Passing this bill would take away the opportunity for judicious decision-making between doctors and patients when it comes to vaccines, while holding hostage kids' opportunity for education.

Please vote NO on HB 3063 and all of its amendments. As a Democrat, I am a firm believer in the long-held stance of "my body, my choice!" Let's not abandon this important principle of keeping government from mandating how we handle our health-care decisions.

Sincerely,

Joshua Phillips  
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cell 541 788-1158

**From:** [Justicia Krider](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** oppose HB3063  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 23, 2019 4:31:08 PM

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I oppose this bill.  
Justicia Krider  
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**From:** [Jvon Davis](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** Opposition of 3063  
**Date:** Wednesday, April 24, 2019 12:29:19 PM

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Please allow parents the right to choose what is shot or not shot into their children.

Thank you,

Jvon Dreher RN, BSN

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** [Kaellagh Bennett](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** Testimony  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 23, 2019 8:11:21 PM

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Dear Legislators,

As you saw today, Oregonians are not in support of HB 3063. Oregon school children are already vaccinated at the level needed for herd immunity. The bill is unnecessary.

Please preserve our freedom as parents to follow our doctor's recommendations for our children as individuals. Based on my son's specific medical history, his pediatrician has advised an alternate vaccine schedule and has advised that he skip some vaccines. If HB 3063 passes, I lose the freedom to follow my doctor's advice if I want to keep him in school.

Vaccine injury DOES occur. If a parent is forced to vaccinate their child against the recommendation of their doctor (given a child's medical conditions or genetic predispositions) statistically some vaccine injuries will result. Those vaccine injuries will weigh on the conscience of the legislators who voted this bill in.

Additionally, while the vaccine manufacturers are shielded from legal liability for vaccine injury, that protection does not include the state governments who have enacted laws requiring vaccines against the recommendations of doctors. I have absolute certainty there will be lawsuits resulting from this bill.

This will be painful for the parents, children and doctors impacted, and will be painful for the state government. Why go through with this when there is no true emergency. The current law is working--please vote NO on HB 3063.

Best regards,  
Kaellagh Bennett  
Sheridan, OR

Dear Senators and Representatives,

I am writing to urge you to **PLEASE VOTE NO on HB 3063**. I am a mother of two young children living in Southern Oregon. I am very concerned about this bill and hope that you will sincerely consider the ramifications this bill would have on our children's education, our state and our local communities.

I would first like to voice both my opposition and disappointment in this bill. **The coercive nature of holding a child's education hostage removes a family's full right to free and informed consent over private medical decisions that should be made individually with their physicians.**

These private medical decisions should remain a decision, not a mandate; medicine is not one-size fits all and the risk involved with vaccines should be part of the conversation. **The assertion that vaccines come with risk is a fact and not an opinion.** This can be stated with absolute certainty because:

1. Vaccine inserts themselves disclose the potential and sometimes severe or life-threatening injuries that can occur.
2. The National Vaccine Injury Compensation Program (NVICP) has paid out over \$4 billions dollars to those injured by vaccines since 1986.
3. VAERS data reports for Oregon in 2018 show 579 total adverse reactions reported including four deaths, 16 disabilities, four life-threatening reactions and 19 hospitalizations. (Taking into account the 2011 Harvard Pilgrim Health study that found that less than 1% of vaccine adverse events were ever reported to VAERS, the total number of reactions could be under reported by as much as 99%).

In light of this risk, taking away personal belief exemptions is extremely concerning because although a child may have had a previous adverse reaction and suffer from vaccine injury, they may not qualify for a medical exemption as their adverse reaction must be severe enough to be granted approval by OHA, not the child's practicing doctor.

I would also like to reiterate as others have that **there is NO medical emergency in Oregon and our vaccination rates remain high with over 97% of families choosing some or all vaccines, yet HB 3063 would immediately impact over 35,000 children and create undue hardship for families—including single and low-income households—across the state of Oregon** who will be denied access to childcare and the ability to receive a public or private education with their peers and neighbors. Instead, families would be forced to homeschool, attend an isolating online public school or move themselves (and their businesses) out of state.

Thank you for your time. I hope that you will join me in opposing HB 3063.

Sincerely,

Kara Akins  
Medford, OR

**From:** [Karen Crutcher](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** Opposition HB 3063– Land of the Free? Not with HB 3063!  
**Date:** Wednesday, April 24, 2019 7:50:10 AM

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My name is Karen Crutcher and I represent my Oregonian Grandsons and my FIVE Grandfathers that were Patriots of this country, Revolutionary War and the War of 1812. For you to attempt to shred our Constitution with HB 3063, the personal effect for my Grandson would be that he could not play football because his parents decided to not vaccinate him according to Oregon's mandates. My Grandson found a hero in my Uncle who played for the Green Bay Packers, Super Bowl I & II, and you would prevent my Grandson from following in the footsteps of his hero by preventing him from playing football? How is my Grandson supposed to play football by himself in his backyard? What could be more American than wanting to play football?

**The Declaration of Independence states:** “We hold these Truths to be self-evident, that all Men **are** created equal, that they **are** endowed by their Creator with certain **unalienable Rights**, that among these **are** Life, Liberty, and the Pursuit of Happiness....”

Jefferson understood “unalienable rights” as fixed rights given to us by our Creator rather than by government. The emphasis on our Creator is crucial, because it shows that the rights are permanent just as the Creator is permanent.

Because we are “endowed” with them, the rights are inseparable from us: they are part of our humanity.

The government did not give them and therefore cannot take them away!

To protect fundamental, individual rights, James Madison helped include [the Bill of Rights](#) in the Constitution. The intent was to remove them from government's reach.

*“Among the “unalienable rights” implicitly protected in the Bill of Rights are freedom of conscience—how can one have freedom of speech or religion without freedom of conscience?” (Hawkins).*

## **Oregon Constitution**

### **ARTICLE I**

#### **BILL OF RIGHTS**

**Section 3. Freedom of religious opinion.** No law shall in any case whatever control the free exercise, and enjoyment of religious [sic] opinions, or interfere with the **rights of conscience**.

**Therefore**, for the State of Oregon to deny its citizens their unalienable right to freedom of conscience: Philosophical and Religious exemptions, to the State's Vaccine Mandate is to deny its citizens their Constitutional rights!

**Did the members of this legislative assembly take their oath to support the US Constitution and the Oregon Constitution or not ?**

**The Oregon Constitution's Requirement to take the Oath of Office Article XV, MiscellaneousSection 3. Oaths of office.** Every person elected or appointed to any office under this Constitution, shall, before entering on the duties thereof, take an oath or affirmation to support the Constitution of the United States, and of this State, and also an oath of office.

**Article IV, Legislative  
Section 31. Oath of members.**

The members of the Legislative Assembly shall before they enter on the duties of their respective offices, take and subscribe the following oath or affirmation;—I do solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States, and the Constitution of the State of Oregon, and that I will faithfully discharge the duties of Senator according to the best of my Ability.

I submit that any legislator who even considers voting yes on the Bill is NOT supporting our Constitution!

**How many of our Representatives are Doctors and Dentists that will profit from HB 3063?**

**How many of our lawmakers that will be**

# voting on HB 3063 received Contributions from Pharma?

**“We the People” have a right to know!**

If the state of Oregon Lawmakers are going to be so bold as to deny Citizens their constitutional rights to philosophical and religious exemptions to the State’s vaccine mandates, then every Doctor and Dentist in the state of Oregon should relinquish their philosophical and religious rights to exemptions affirmed by the AMA, Code of Ethics!



 Shame on you to any Legislator that would dare to even consider voting YES on This Bill!

Land of the Free? Not with HB 3063!

Karen Crutcher

Florence, OR



I Want my Grandchildren to know that I did NOT remain silent.

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Thanks, Karen

**From:** [Judy Trzebiatowski](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Date:** Wednesday, April 24, 2019 6:49:32 PM

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Hi. My name is Judy and I am against bill HB 3063! I am also against the flu vaccine.  
Special interest groups control the CDC. No longer privately funded!  
Thank you!  
Judy T

**From:** [Julia Jaquillard](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** Testimony for HB3062 - please submit to the Human Services Subcommittee  
**Date:** Monday, April 22, 2019 11:51:13 AM

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April 22, 2019

Dear Human Services Subcommittee,

Thank you for reviewing HB3063 from your perspectives. I know there has been a LOT of communication coming from fellow concerned citizens so I appreciate your time and genuine interest in what us Oregonians have to say.

First off, I'd like to express how DEEPLY concerned I am on a personal level. I have multiple autoimmune diseases (alopecia, celiac and Hashimoto's) and as we know, the medical field doesn't yet have all of the answers about why this happens to some people versus why it doesn't happen to others. It doesn't have all of the answers about what triggers autoimmunity for people, not does it know exactly what triggers are worse than others. Without question, there have not been consistent and thorough studies on each and every vaccine to determine the reactions on various groups of immunocompromised people. This is something that keeps me up at night - if I were to have to vaccinate my two children, what would happen to them? Would it be that one trigger that would set off epilepsy, or a string of food allergies, or god forbid alopecia like me? Would my sweet 2 year old girl lose all of her hair like I did, but at a super young age which would make it even harder to deal with? The truth is, we don't know. And that's what's terrifying to me. I could never, in good conscience, allow these potential triggers into my kids' systems. So I'd be forced to homeschool which would place significant financial hardship on my family. It would also drastically affect the private school I work for so potentially I'd end up losing my job anyway.

**The timeframe given to get anyone caught up per the CDC schedule is not considered safe by the CDC or OHA. My kids would need 13 vaccines in the next year :( :(**

The other huge issue with this bill is that it removes parental choice and informed consent. What would our Founding Fathers say if they found out we are deviating so drastically from our Constitution? So I am sitting in my pediatrician's office and they let me know my 2 year old daughter needs 14 vaccines in order to be caught up per the CDC schedule. The pediatrician tells me the potential side effects per informed consent and then I am just supposed to say, "oh ok, cool - go for it!" NO WAY! If this bill passes it REMOVES informed consent. This is unconstitutional. The government should never, ever have medical power over an individual.

Additionally, let's consider the exact ramifications of this bill...private schools will shut down due to students withdrawing and kids needing to be homeschooled, which means lost jobs, economical impact, etc. There will be a huge division between vaccinated and unvaccinated individuals, HUGE. Rewind to the segregation between black and white people, rewind to discrimination against women and fighting for freedom to vote, on and on. Didn't we learn from history? Shouldn't we be using past situations as information for us to make better decisions going forward? The 15k estimation in cost to implement this bill is drastically underestimated. Who would enforce this bill and how?

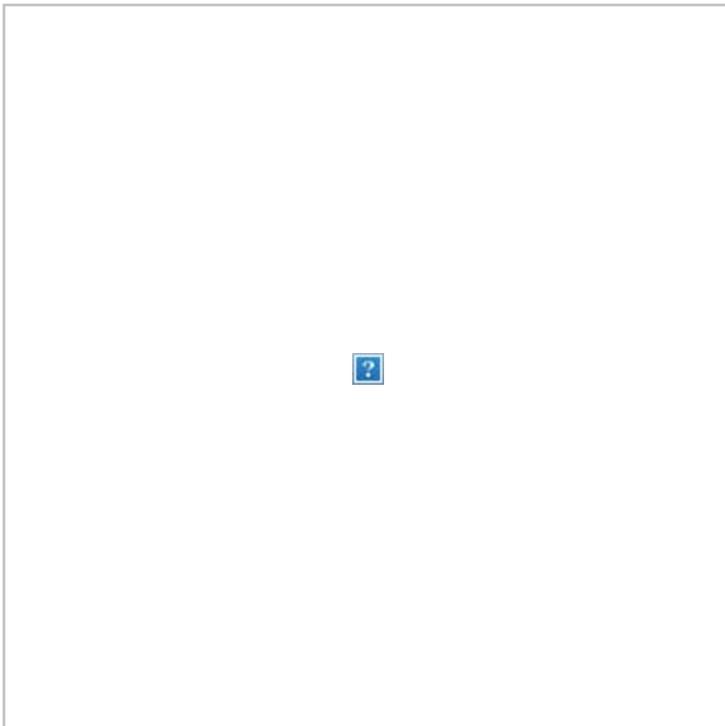
The 3% cap for online schooling - how would this get handled with droves of kids withdrawing from public and private schools? Don't you think people will move out of state which would significantly impact our state's economy?

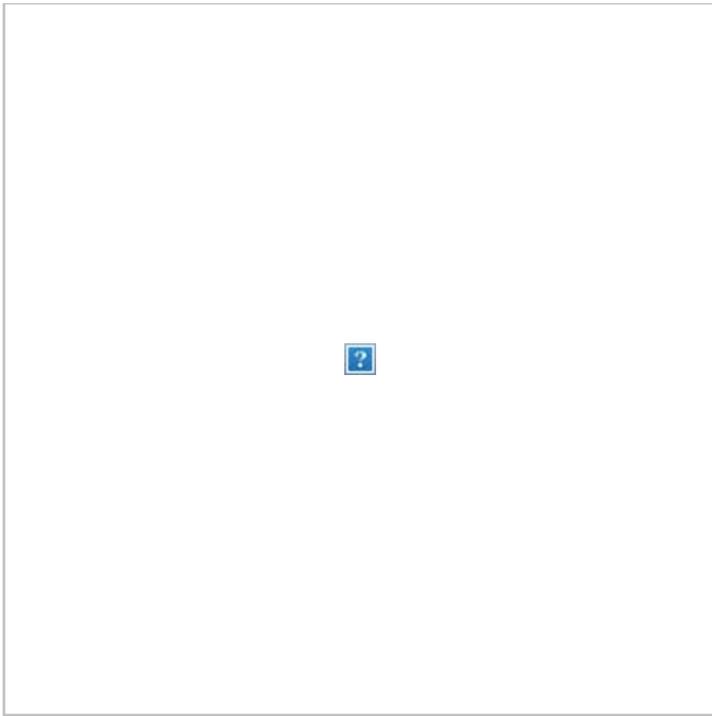
Finally, there is NO MEDICAL EMERGENCY IN OREGON regarding measles. No deaths, no reason whatsoever to enforce this bill. Please, let's remain calm and intelligent here in our considering the actual facts. It can be very easy to buy into this end of the world approach to measles but in truth it's unnecessary.

Thank you for listening to my testimony and I sincerely hope my voice is heard as a dedicated mother of 2 and resident of Sheridan, OR.

Family pictures below :)

Love, Julia Jaquillard





**From:** [julie glaser](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** Please oppose HB 3063  
**Date:** Wednesday, April 24, 2019 9:36:41 AM

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Good morning,

Please oppose HB 3063. Government has no right getting involved in parents choice to vaccinate or not vaccinate. This is a parents choice. If this bill passes we will be forced to homeschool and pull our children from day care. Our children are vaccinated but there is no reason to vaccinate them for Hepatitis B. This one vaccine would make us pull them from daycare and public school.

Thank you,  
-Julie Ulibarri

**From:** [Kaitlyn Saunders](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** OPPOSE HB 3063  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 23, 2019 10:39:35 PM

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I'm writing to express my opposition to HB 3063.

I am Vaccine injured. I live everyday with debilitating auto-immune disorders from an immunization I received at the age of 18 years old, and elect to delay vaccines for my 7 month old daughter, because we share the same DNA. As a working family, we rely on non-medical exemptions that allow her to attend daycare.

**HB 3063 would violate personal freedom of choice and medical informed consent.** It's not about our personal beliefs about vaccinations, or scientific debate of their safety-- this is about our freedom. I must to continue to have the right to make choices about my child's healthcare, without the threat of losing access to their access to childcare/education.

As a family of faith, it is devastating that my daughter would not be allowed to grow up in church activities, like my husband and I did. Something that was so helpful in finding my way through adolescence and adulthood by knowing my faith and good moral.

If this overarching health bill passes, it would not only affect families like ours, but would greatly impact our education system, public and private schools alike, preschools, day cares, churches, early education centers, small business and jobs. This is not in the best interest for our children or Oregonians.

I urge you to preserve medical and religious freedom, please consider the bigger picture and oppose HB3063.

Thank you,  
Kaity Saunders  
Bend, OR



**From:** [Kala Noel](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** Opposition of HB 3063  
**Date:** Wednesday, April 24, 2019 12:14:55 PM

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I believe it's my right as a mother to decide whether or not my children are vaccinated.

-Kala

Dear HB 3063 Legislators,

I am a democrat.  
I am a life-long Oregonian.  
I am a tax-payer.  
I am a voter.  
I am a mother.

I am a mother of a son who has a life-threatening autoimmune disease. After the perfect storm of a nasty virus, the sun and a vaccination, this autoimmune disease was triggered at age 2. He has been through 3 years of chemo, steroids, and many other nasty things to get him to the point of remission today. I will do whatever I can to keep him healthy, and to keep my other son (who is at a high risk of developing an autoimmune disease) healthy. That includes some, but not all vaccinations.

I am pro-vaccine. I am pro-science. I have done endless research to decide what is best for my children. Along with their doctor, we decided on a selective, delayed vaccination schedule. That is what is best for them. The CDC schedule is NOT a one-size fits all. Every human is different, with a different health history and genetic pre-disposal. All of these things should be taken into consideration before vaccinations are administered. Vaccinations do not come without risk. So it is the responsibility of parents and doctors to weight the pros and cons of each and every vaccine.

There is lots of grey area when it comes to vaccinations. This bill does not allow for that grey area. It is black and white. All or nothing. 100% vaccinated according to the CDC schedule or kicked out of school. My son does not qualify for a medical exemption, so we use the philosophical one. If HB 3063 passes, he will be removed from school and forced into online schooling. As a child who has developed anxiety, most likely due to all of the medical intervention he has had, isolating him from his peers could be detrimental to his mental health.

So, I ask you. How does HB 3063 protect MY child? This bill is supposedly created to protect Oregon's children. But if it passes, it will fail my child, along with 31,000 others.

There is also a deep violation of human rights behind this bill. Informed consent is a basic human right to consent to or refuse a medical procedure, especially one that comes with risk, no matter how big or small. If someone is threatened or coerced into consenting, then the consent obtained is actually coerced consent, not informed consent. Threatening to exclude children from school is coercion.

Lastly, I want to point out that there is no health crisis in Oregon. The current laws are working, and we are above what is considered herd immunity.

I beg you to consider all of the stories of children like mine, who would be removed from school should this bill pass.

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**From:** [Katie Butler](#)  
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Good evening,

I am an elementary teacher and mother of 2 young children. I taught for 7 years and now substitute teach occasionally as I take care of my kids. My daughter is partially vaccinated. I started vaccinating her on schedule but she ended up with bloody diarrhea after both rotavirus vaccines and an egg/dairy allergy following the vaccines. I am now waiting until she's older and going to spread the vaccines out so that I can identify which one(s) are responsible. It is unconstitutional to not allow my children to have a right to their education and all extra curricular activities. They are healthy and do not carry diseases. Oregon has a very high vaccination rate. It is not necessary to try to force parents to vaccinate. As their parent, I have the right to choose what medical choices we make, not the government. Please vote against HB 3063 and urge your colleagues to do the same!!

Thank you,

Katie Butler

Sent from my iPhone

Senator Lee Beyer, Co-Chair  
Representative Rob Nosse, Co-Chair  
Human Services Sub Committee

Monday, April 22, 2019

Testimony in opposition of HB 3063 Mandatory Vaccination Bill

Chairpersons Lee Beyer, Rob Nosse and members of the Committee,

My name is Kathleen Ulrich and I am a resident of Portland, OR. I am writing this testimony in opposition of HB 3063 because I am the parent of a vaccine injured child. When my daughter was 9 months old she received the Prevnar vaccine at a well baby check and woke up in the middle of the night (same day) with severe facial swelling. We consider ourselves very lucky that this was not an anaphylactic attack since it came on while she was sleeping.



Over the course of the next 5 months she had 18 additional “reactions” that involved either facial swelling, severe hives or unexplained bruising. Over those 5 months we saw an allergist, hematologist, dermatologist and of course her pediatrician on many occasions. We visited the emergency room twice, I physically restrained her for blood draws on 5 separate occasions, we received Epi-pens, we tried a number of different medications (all of which resulted in additional symptoms) and we eliminated foods from her diet. About mid-way through this ordeal her pediatrician asked us to please not give her any additional vaccines. I heard similar sentiments from other healthcare professionals, when we told them that we currently weren’t giving her any vaccines most replied with “Oh good, she shouldn’t get anything while this is going on”.



Most people would assume that my daughter would be eligible for a medical exemption given the severity of her reaction and the medical advice that we have received. We have inquired about getting one, but our pediatrician does not give medical exemptions while personal exemptions are available and from what I've seen she may not qualify for one based on the current policy. So we rely on our ability to choose not to give her any vaccines by using a personal belief exemption. We rely on our ability to work with her pediatrician to weigh the risks associated with vaccines. And for her, the risk of systemic inflammation and autoimmune disease outweigh any benefit that the vaccine might provide. To deny our right to informed consent and her right to an education is wrong.



Thankfully she has not had a reaction in just over 6 months but I still check her face for swelling every single day, I feel her head for the tell tale inflammation that let me know that she was going to have a reaction, and I feel my heart skip a beat every time she has a bruise or a red mark on her skin. We went through five months of terror and the unknown, that's a quarter of her life so far. If this had happened after she received a dose on any other type of medication it would be in her chart not to give it to her again for her own safety. Why is a vaccine any different? Please help me to continue to protect her by utilizing my right as her mother to refuse a medical treatment that might harm her.



*Healthy Arden, 6 months after receiving the vaccine*

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Kathleen Ulrich

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April 24, 2019

Dear Chairs Beyer and Nosse and Members of the Joint Committee on Ways and Means Subcommittee on Human Services:

I am writing this testimony in support of public health. I also believe that HB 3063 in its current form is not a bill I can support.

I am asking you to consider three moderate amendments.

**1. Exclude Hepatitis A and Hepatitis B from the current suggested immunization schedule.**

The intention of such policy is to protect children who cannot receive vaccines from communicable diseases such as measles. Hep A and Hep B are not transmitted through air and or daily human contact in school settings. There is no current evidence of Hep A or Hep B ever being transmitted in a school setting to another student.

**2. Lengthen the current compliance date for those students who currently have medical, religious, or philosophical waivers to August 2022.**

The current immunization schedule for HB 3063 consists of 11 restricted diseases. The current compliance date is August 2020. These restricted diseases are administered in 7 separate vaccinations.

If one eliminates Hib due to age of most school age children, there are 17 separate vaccinations for full compliance. If this bill becomes a law in June of 2019, there will be approximately 14 months for full compliance. This means a student will be required to have 17 vaccines/14 months. For any child, especially one with comorbidities that may impact health outcomes, or a child with a family history of vaccination risk this schedule requires a high amount of immune stimulation in a short time period. This schedule would be compressed from the current CDC suggested schedule.

Increasing the compliance date to August 2022 would allow children with additional health concerns the necessary time to spread out the vaccination schedule for full compliance. This would allow many parents concerned about the current version of HB 3063 to support this bill.

**3. Allow primary care physicians to write medical waivers for their patients.**

Physicians are in the best position to know the medical needs of their patients, and to make educated decisions about the possible need for medical waivers. These waivers could be sent directly to the school the student is attending by the physician.

Thank you for considering these amendments.

Kellie Barnes

**From:** [Kelly Bonner](#)  
**To:** [JWMHS Exhibits](#)  
**Subject:** Oppose HB 3063  
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Dear Committee,

Please listen to the thousands of Oregonians who do not want mandated vaccines! Vaccines can cause permanent damage to our little ones! Please read Sen Thatcher's amendments and hear what we are all asking for. Please oppose HB 3063, as it is far too extreme for Oregon and for the United States!!

Thank you,

Kelly Bonner